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# STATISTICAL SUMMARY.

## Section I.—Population and Vital Statistics.

### AREA AND POPULATION.

States and Territories.	Area—Square Miles.	Population (Exclusive of Full-blood Australian Aborigines).						Capital Cities, 31st Dec., 1930. <i>a</i>
		Census—4th April, 1921.			Estimated, 30th September, 1931.			
		Males.	Females.	Persons.	Males.	Females.	Persons.	
N.S.W. . .	309,432	1,071,501	1,028,870	2,100,371	1,275,721	1,237,265	2,512,986	1,253,560
Victoria . .	87,884	754,724	776,556	1,531,280	888,924	910,353	1,799,277	1,014,600
Q'land. . .	670,500	398,969	357,003	755,972	510,595	451,838	962,433	313,251
S. Aust. . .	380,070	248,267	246,893	495,160	301,426	282,591	584,017	324,420
W. Aust. . .	975,920	177,278	155,454	332,732	225,682	195,714	421,396	204,780
Tasmania . .	26,215	107,743	106,037	213,780	108,760	110,808	219,568	(b) 57,800
N. Ter. . .	523,620	2,821	1,046	3,867	2,867	1,699	4,566	..
Fed. Cap. Territory	940	1,567	1,005	2,572	4,602	3,894	8,496	(c) 7,047
Total	2,974,581	2,762,870	2,672,864	5,435,734	3,318,577	3,194,162	6,512,739	3,175,458

(a) The areas embraced in each case were Sydney, 149,792 acres; Melbourne, 165,666 acres; Brisbane, 246,400 acres; Adelaide, 137,716 acres; Perth, 87,563 acres; and Hobart, 54,890 acres. (b) At 31st March, 1931. (c) At 30th June, 1931; area 26,880 acres.

### ESTIMATED POPULATION, EXCLUSIVE OF FULL-BLOOD ABORIGINES.

31st Dec.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queens-land.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Nor. Ter.	Fed. Cap. Ter. <sup>a</sup>	Australia.
1900	1,360,305	1,196,213	493,847	357,250	179,967	172,900	4,857	..	3,765,339
1910	1,643,855	1,301,408	599,016	406,868	276,832	193,803	3,301	..	4,425,083
1926	2,347,781	1,711,827	882,193	566,394	378,746	214,754	3,898	4,921	6,110,514
1927	2,400,266	1,741,390	899,176	575,771	392,292	215,862	4,361	5,736	6,234,854
1928	2,445,280	1,760,964	916,689	579,348	405,873	216,563	3,982	8,087	6,336,786
1929	2,477,585	1,777,065	930,871	580,271	416,763	219,065	4,470	8,282	6,414,372
1930	2,500,486	1,790,817	948,195	582,127	420,606	220,644	4,616	8,541	6,476,032

### ESTIMATED MEAN POPULATION, EXCLUSIVE OF FULL-BLOOD ABORIGINES.

Year.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queens-land.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Nor. Ter.	Fed. Cap. Ter. <sup>a</sup>	Australia.
1901	1,363,373	1,203,137	501,432	357,343	188,135	172,525	4,765	..	3,790,710
1910	1,632,990	1,282,477	591,591	397,700	271,019	191,005	3,403	..	4,370,185
1926	2,320,288	1,696,670	875,187	558,883	374,996	211,216	3,765	6,106	6,047,111
1927	2,372,643	1,727,413	891,908	571,098	385,011	209,994	4,234	7,342	6,169,643
1928	2,424,695	1,751,340	909,141	577,328	399,386	211,943	4,207	8,054	6,286,094
1929	2,462,922	1,769,126	924,864	579,503	411,437	213,763	4,178	8,384	6,374,177
1930	2,488,101	1,784,711	940,455	580,751	418,627	216,493	4,650	8,789	6,442,577
1931 (9 ms.)	2,506,031	1,796,131	955,849	583,211	420,528	219,587	4,622	8,604	6,494,563

(a) Prior to 1911, part of New South Wales.

## ESTIMATED INCREASE OF POPULATION.

States and Territories.	1926.	1927.	1928.	1929.	1930.	First Nine Months of—	
						1930.	1931.

## NATURAL INCREASE (EXCESS OF BIRTHS OVER DEATHS).

New South Wales ..	30,957	31,090	32,134	28,089	30,893	23,292	20,219
Victoria ..	19,027	18,301	16,790	16,887	17,168	12,869	10,852
Queensland ..	11,550	11,755	11,807	10,177	11,484	8,566	8,133
South Australia ..	6,606	6,364	6,261	5,626	5,133	3,814	3,266
Western Australia..	4,951	5,089	5,064	5,121	5,426	4,057	3,878
Tasmania ..	3,076	2,800	2,559	2,621	2,838	2,149	2,099
Northern Territory	9	—8	12	—12	—6	3	—2
Federal Capital Territory ..	34	25	73	114	132	99	93
Total ..	76,210	75,416	74,700	68,623	73,068	54,849	48,538

## NET IMMIGRATION (EXCESS OF IMMIGRATION OVER EMIGRATION).

New South Wales ..	18,382	21,395	12,880	4,216	—7,992	—7,326	—7,719
Victoria ..	8,783	11,262	2,784	—786	—3,416	—2,990	—2,392
Queensland ..	9,458	5,228	5,706	4,005	5,840	6,385	6,105
South Australia ..	8,155	3,013	—2,684	—4,703	—3,277	—2,990	—1,376
Western Australia..	1,612	8,457	8,517	5,769	—1,583	—1,027	—3,088
Tasmania ..	—5,354	—1,692	—1,858	—119	—1,259	—5,401	—3,175
Northern Territory	233	471	—391	500	152	239	—49
Federal Capital Territory ..	951	790	2,278	81	127	314	—138
Total ..	42,220	48,924	27,232	8,963	—11,408	—12,796	—11,832

NOTE.—Minus sign (—) denotes excess of Deaths over Births and Emigration over Immigration.

## TOTAL ESTIMATED INCREASE.

New South Wales ..	49,339	52,485	45,014	32,305	22,901	15,966	12,500
Victoria ..	27,810	29,563	19,574	16,101	13,752	9,879	8,460
Queensland ..	21,008	16,983	17,513	14,182	17,324	14,951	14,238
South Australia ..	14,761	9,377	3,577	923	1,856	824	1,890
Western Australia..	6,563	13,546	13,581	10,890	3,843	3,030	790
Tasmania ..	—2,278	1,108	701	2,502	1,579	—3,252	—1,076
Northern Territory	242	463	—379	488	146	242	—51
Federal Capital Territory ..	985	815	2,351	195	259	413	—45
Total ..	118,430	124,340	101,932	77,586	61,660	42,053	36,706

NOTE.—Minus sign (—) denotes decrease.

## BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES.

Quarter ended 30th September, 1931.

States and Territories.	Births.			Deaths.			Marriages.
	Males.	Females.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Total.	
New South Wales..	6,054	5,622	11,676	3,432	2,742	6,174	3,555
Victoria ..	3,790	3,504	7,294	2,521	2,123	4,644	2,425
Queensland ..	2,244	2,171	4,415	1,182	825	2,007	1,416
South Australia ..	1,065	1,023	2,088	702	604	1,306	735
Western Australia..	1,058	1,025	2,083	591	308	899	618
Tasmania ..	659	553	1,212	296	249	545	380
Northern Territory	8	7	15	12	3	15	6
Federal Capital Territory ..	21	13	34	5	3	8	11
Total ..	14,899	13,918	28,817	8,741	6,857	15,598	9,146

States and Territories.	1926.	1927.	1928.	1929.	1930.	First Nine Months of--	
						1930.	1931.

## BIRTHS—NUMBER, 1926 TO 1931.

New South Wales..	53,116	53,839	54,791	52,671	52,128	39,392	36,299
Victoria ..	35,362	35,074	34,498	33,604	33,127	24,997	23,017
Queensland ..	19,764	19,833	19,783	18,486	18,939	14,241	13,733
South Australia ..	11,433	11,492	11,408	10,665	9,984	7,554	6,833
Western Australia..	8,301	8,482	8,704	9,051	9,200	6,947	6,524
Tasmania ..	4,988	4,833	4,691	4,797	4,786	3,608	3,578
Northern Territory	73	68	83	53	71	59	57
Federal Capital Territory ..	75	77	120	153	164	120	120
Total ..	133,162	133,698	134,078	129,480	128,399	96,918	90,161

## BIRTH RATES—PER 1,000 OF MEAN POPULATION.

						(a)	(a)
						21.14	19.31
New South Wales..	22.89	22.69	22.60	21.39	20.95	21.14	19.31
Victoria ..	20.84	20.30	19.70	18.99	18.56	18.69	17.09
Queensland ..	22.58	22.24	21.76	19.99	20.14	20.23	19.16
South Australia ..	20.55	20.12	19.76	18.40	17.19	17.35	15.62
Western Australia..	22.14	22.03	21.79	22.00	21.98	22.16	20.69
Tasmania ..	23.62	23.01	22.13	22.44	22.11	22.26	21.72
Northern Territory	19.39	16.06	19.73	12.69	15.27	16.97	16.44
Federal Capital Territory ..	12.28	10.49	14.90	18.25	18.66	18.12	18.60
Total ..	22.02	21.67	21.33	20.31	19.93	20.08	18.51

(a) Equivalent annual rate.



## POPULATION AND VITAL STATISTICS.

States and Territories.	1926.	1927.	1928.	1929.	1930.	First Nine Months of—	
						1930.	1931.

## DEATHS—NUMBER, 1926 TO 1931.

New South Wales ..	22,159	22,749	22,657	24,582	21,235	16,100	16,080
Victoria ..	16,335	16,773	17,708	16,717	15,959	12,128	12,165
Queensland ..	8,214	8,078	7,976	8,309	7,455	5,675	5,600
South Australia ..	4,877	5,128	5,147	5,039	4,851	3,740	3,567
Western Australia ..	3,350	3,393	3,640	3,930	3,774	2,890	2,646
Tasmania ..	1,912	2,033	2,132	2,176	1,948	1,459	1,479
Northern Territory	64	76	71	65	77	56	59
Federal Capital Territory ..	41	52	47	39	32	21	27
Total ..	56,952	58,282	59,378	60,857	55,331	42,069	41,623

## DEATH RATES—PER 1,000 OF MEAN POPULATION.

						(a)	(a)
New South Wales ..	9.55	9.59	9.34	9.98	8.53	8.64	8.56
Victoria ..	9.63	9.71	10.11	9.45	8.94	9.07	9.03
Queensland ..	9.39	9.06	8.77	8.98	7.93	8.06	7.81
South Australia ..	8.73	8.98	8.92	8.70	8.35	8.59	8.15
Western Australia ..	8.93	8.81	9.11	9.55	9.02	9.22	8.39
Tasmania ..	9.05	9.68	10.06	10.17	9.00	9.00	8.98
Northern Territory	17.00	17.95	16.88	15.56	16.56	16.11	16.88
Federal Capital Territory ..	6.71	7.08	5.84	4.65	3.64	3.17	4.18
Total ..	9.42	9.45	9.45	9.55	8.59	8.72	8.55

(a) Equivalent annual rate.

## MARRIAGES—NUMBER, 1926 TO 1931.

New South Wales ..	19,219	20,052	20,075	19,535	17,383	13,264	11,431
Victoria ..	13,405	13,608	13,186	12,936	11,641	8,790	7,409
Queensland ..	6,428	6,277	6,322	6,169	6,199	4,627	4,399
South Australia ..	4,503	4,501	4,146	3,719	3,312	2,569	2,219
Western Australia ..	2,844	3,108	3,309	3,367	3,205	2,423	2,026
Tasmania ..	1,435	1,432	1,502	1,712	1,450	1,099	1,127
Northern Territory	14	26	23	20	31	22	16
Federal Capital Territory ..	17	29	29	43	34	28	29
Total ..	47,865	49,033	48,592	47,501	43,255	32,822	28,656

BIRTHS, DEATHS, AND MARRIAGES—*continued.*

States and Territories.	1926.	1927.	1928.	1929.	1930.	First Nine Months of—	
						1930.	1931.

## MARRIAGE RATES—PER 1,000 OF MEAN POPULATION.

						(a)	(a)
New South Wales ..	8.28	8.45	8.28	7.93	6.99	7.12	6.08
Victoria ..	7.90	7.88	7.53	7.31	6.52	6.57	5.50
Queensland ..	7.34	7.04	6.95	6.67	6.59	6.57	6.14
South Australia ..	8.06	7.88	7.18	6.42	5.70	5.90	5.07
Western Australia ..	7.58	8.07	8.29	8.18	7.66	7.23	6.42
Tasmania ..	6.79	6.82	7.09	8.01	6.70	6.78	6.84
Northern Territory	3.72	6.14	5.47	4.79	6.67	6.23	4.54
Federal Capital Territory ..	2.78	3.95	3.60	5.13	3.87	4.19	4.53
Total ..	7.92	7.95	7.73	7.45	6.71	6.80	5.88

(a) Equivalent annual rate.

## DEATHS OF CHILDREN UNDER 1 YEAR OF AGE, 1926 TO 1931.

New South Wales ..	3,060	2,958	3,001	2,973	2,598	2,055	1,581
Victoria ..	1,969	1,966	1,919	1,587	1,544	1,215	1,026
Queensland ..	1,001	1,080	901	851	757	578	506
South Australia ..	509	614	542	436	483	380	253
Western Australia ..	409	389	419	508	430	366	269
Tasmania ..	233	256	300	255	242	180	163
Northern Territory	5	7	5	1	5	4	5
Federal Capital Territory ..	4	13	14	5	6	5	4
Total ..	7,190	7,283	7,101	6,616	6,065	4,783	3,807

## INFANTILE MORTALITY—PER 1,000 BIRTHS.

New South Wales ..	57.61	54.94	54.77	56.44	49.84	52.17	43.55
Victoria ..	55.68	56.05	55.63	47.23	46.61	48.61	44.58
Queensland ..	50.65	54.45	45.54	46.03	39.97	40.59	36.85
South Australia ..	44.33	53.43	47.51	40.88	48.38	50.30	37.03
Western Australia ..	49.27	45.86	48.14	56.13	46.74	52.68	41.23
Tasmania ..	46.71	52.97	63.95	53.16	50.56	49.89	45.56
Northern Territory	68.49	102.94	60.24	18.87	70.42	67.80	87.72
Federal Capital Territory ..	53.33	142.85a	83.33a	19.61a	24.39a	25.00a	33.33a
Total ..	53.99	54.47	52.96	51.10	47.24	49.35	42.22

(a) Based on deaths of infants born in the Federal Capital Territory only.

## ESTIMATED MIGRATION—AUSTRALIA, 1925 to 1931.

Year.	Arrivals.			Departures.			Excess of (a) over (b).
	Males.	Females.	Persons. (a)	Males.	Females.	Persons. (b)	
1925 ..	59,602	40,473	100,075	34,543	28,175	62,718	37,357
1926 ..	62,743	45,181	107,924	36,512	29,192	65,704	42,220
1927 ..	69,540	47,883	117,423	38,320	30,179	68,499	48,924
1928 ..	55,921	43,871	99,792	40,216	32,344	72,560	27,232
1929 ..	44,508	37,740	82,248	40,596	32,689	73,285	8,963
1930 ..	33,881	29,212	63,093	41,877	32,624	74,501	11,408c
1931 ..	21,986	18,428	40,414	31,015	21,460	52,475	12,061c

(c) Excess of Departures over Arrivals.

## MIGRATION—AUSTRALIA.

**ARRIVALS and DEPARTURES according to Nationality or Race of Persons who arrived or departed during the Years 1930 and 1931.**

Nationality or Race.	Arrivals.		Departures.	
	Year.		Year.	
	1930.	1931.	1930.	1931.
<b>European Race—</b>				
British .. .. .	51,579	32,868	59,889	40,023
Danish .. .. .	105	65	121	92
Dutch .. .. .	158	84	154	109
Finnish .. .. .	97	17	67	56
French .. .. .	647	652	634	696
German .. .. .	536	298	474	294
Greek .. .. .	304	163	555	584
Italian .. .. .	2,127	973	2,312	2,073
Jugoslav .. .. .	374	270	616	571
Maltese (British) .. .. .	99	36	218	122
Norwegian .. .. .	48	38	59	60
Swedish .. .. .	72	50	74	68
Russian .. .. .	188	85	141	125
Swiss .. .. .	146	96	192	151
United States .. .. .	1,469	774	1,535	1,013
Others of European Race .. .. .	704	305	563	515
<b>Total, European Race .. .. .</b>	<b>58,653</b>	<b>36,774</b>	<b>67,604</b>	<b>46,552</b>
<b>Non-European—</b>				
Afghans .. .. .	1	2	2	..
Armenians .. .. .	2,658	2,308	3,227	2,809
Chinese .. .. .	5	10	27	8
Filipinos .. .. .	318	178	482	677
Japanese .. .. .	16	13	54	42
Malays .. .. .	188	187	211	227
Natives of East Indies .. .. .	571	520	359	426
Natives of India and Ceylon .. .. .	..	2	..	1
Siamese .. .. .	60	41	52	28
Syrians .. .. .	77	10	75	51
Other Asiatics .. .. .	..	..	..	2
Negroes, African .. .. .	3	..	..	..
„ American .. .. .	354	253	439	341
Papuans .. .. .	158	111	143	63
Polynesians, Melanesians .. .. .	31	5	6	17
Other Non-European Races .. .. .	..	..	..	..
<b>Total, Non-European Races .. .. .</b>	<b>4,440</b>	<b>3,640</b>	<b>5,077</b>	<b>4,692</b>
<b>Allowance for unrecorded departures .. .. .</b>	<b>..</b>	<b>..</b>	<b>1,820</b>	<b>1,231</b>
<b>TOTAL, ALL NATIONALITIES OR RACES .. .. .</b>	<b>63,093</b>	<b>40,414</b>	<b>74,501</b>	<b>52,475</b>

## MIGRATION—AUSTRALIA.

ARRIVALS and DEPARTURES according to the Countries whence the Persons arrived or to which they departed during the Years 1930 and 1931.

Country.	Arrivals.		Departures.	
	Year,		Year.	
	1930.	1931.	1930.	1931.
Great Britain .. .. .	17,881	9,691	24,434	17,626
Canada .. .. .	1,693	809	1,584	618
Fiji .. .. .	1,800	1,002	1,659	952
Hong Kong .. .. .	2,231	1,751	2,950	2,610
India and Ceylon .. .. .	2,418	1,783	1,883	1,509
New Zealand .. .. .	21,042	14,997	22,860	14,051
Norfolk Island .. .. .	159	132	222	204
Papua .. .. .	1,058	817	1,086	853
Solomon Islands .. .. .	491	368	448	433
South African Union .. .. .	1,004	676	1,588	1,156
Straits Settlements .. .. .	1,589	971	1,753	1,614
Territory of New Guinea .. .. .	1,031	931	1,061	1,144
Other British Possessions .. .. .	303	228	608	351
Total, British Countries .. .. .	52,700	34,156	62,136	43,121
Egypt .. .. .	754	347	994	863
France .. .. .	2,383	1,385	2,152	1,567
Germany .. .. .	114	53	94	36
Italy .. .. .	2,937	1,425	2,807	2,571
Japan .. .. .	414	303	535	612
Netherlands East Indies .. .. .	1,041	738	881	520
New Caledonia .. .. .	393	470	434	329
Philippine Islands .. .. .	122	80	138	113
South Sea Islands .. .. .	296	406	284	256
United States .. .. .	1,349	735	1,581	857
Other Foreign Countries .. .. .	590	316	645	399
Total, Foreign Countries .. .. .	10,393	6,258	10,545	8,123
Allowance for unrecorded departures .. .. .	..	..	1,820	1,231
TOTAL, ALL COUNTRIES .. .. .	63,093	40,414	74,501	52,475



## Section II.—Production.

## PRINCIPAL CROPS—AUSTRALIA, 1925-26 to 1930-31.

## AREA UNDER CROPS.

Season.	Grain.			Hay.	Sugar Cane.	Total area under all Crops.
	Wheat.	Oats.	Maize.			
	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.
1925-26 ..	10,201,276	1,013,233	297,140	2,832,003	288,872	16,793,578
1926-27 ..	11,687,919	844,114	286,178	2,699,631	284,828	17,772,499
1927-28 ..	12,279,088	1,122,303	400,544	2,632,219	291,299	19,219,394
1928-29 ..	14,840,113	1,045,670	315,140	2,738,673	299,357	21,189,557
1929-30 ..	14,976,564	1,515,871	297,502	2,658,661	307,085	21,929,512
1930-31 ..	18,153,053	1,059,446	288,413	3,140,972	311,070	25,050,628

## TOTAL PRODUCTION.

Season.	Grain.			Hay.	Sugar Cane.	Cane Sugar. (a)
	Wheat.	Oats.	Maize.			
	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.
1925-26 ..	114,504,392	12,211,657	7,431,561	2,977,945	3,965,587	517,970
1926-27 ..	160,761,886	12,571,203	6,970,273	3,487,352	3,155,916	415,876
1927-28 ..	118,199,775	12,084,265	11,393,050	2,858,963	3,764,439	509,094
1928-29 ..	159,679,421	14,108,677	8,322,718	3,175,238	3,883,725	537,574
1929-30 ..	126,884,622	14,424,186	7,946,320	2,725,244	3,755,375	538,084
1930-31 ..	213,211,901	14,731,150	8,058,833	3,835,494	3,704,772	536,351

## AVERAGE YIELD PER ACRE.

	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Tons.	Tons.(b)	Tons.(b)
1925-26 ..	11.22	12.05	25.01	1.05	19.99	2.61
1926-27 ..	13.75	14.89	24.36	1.29	15.87	2.09
1927-28 ..	9.63	10.77	28.45	1.09	17.73	2.40
1928-29 ..	10.76	13.49	26.41	1.16	17.46	2.45
1929-30 ..	8.47	9.52	26.71	1.02	16.85	2.41
1930-31 ..	11.75	13.90	27.94	1.22	16.10	2.33

(a) Estimated production for 1931, 587,000 tons.

(b) Per acre of productive cane.

## AREA UNDER WHEAT, 1925-26 to 1930-31.

Season.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	Fed. Cap. Ter.	Total.
	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.
1925-26	2,924,745	2,513,494	165,999	2,465,648	2,112,032	19,091	267	10,201,276
1926-27	3,352,298	2,915,315	57,084	2,768,403	2,571,187	23,194	438	11,687,919
1927-28	3,029,950	3,064,172	215,073	2,941,360	2,998,523	29,448	562	12,279,088
1928-29	4,090,083	3,718,904	218,069	3,445,563	3,343,530	22,570	1,394	14,840,113
1929-30	3,974,064	3,566,135	204,116	3,645,764	3,568,225	16,805	1,455	14,976,564
1930-31	5,123,100	4,600,200	272,316	4,180,513	3,955,763	19,100	2,061	18,153,053

## TOTAL PRODUCTION OF WHEAT, 1925-26 to 1930-31.

Season.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tasmania.	Fed. Cap. Ter.	Total.
	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.
1925-26	83,800,619	29,255,584	1,973,477	23,603,101	20,471,177	395,603	4,881	114,504,392
1926-27	47,373,713	46,886,020	379,339	35,558,711	30,021,616	537,000	5,487	160,761,886
1927-28	27,042,000	26,160,814	3,783,584	24,066,012	33,370,219	773,142	4,004	118,199,775
1928-29	49,257,000	46,818,833	2,515,561	26,826,094	33,790,040	455,336	16,557	159,679,421
1929-30	34,407,000	25,412,587	4,235,172	23,345,093	39,081,183	375,849	27,738	126,884,622
1930-31	65,811,000	58,814,369	4,791,561	34,871,526	53,504,149	391,000	28,296	213,211,901

NOTE.—Preliminary figures for the season 1931-32 indicate an area of 13,990,000 acres sown to wheat or grain with a probable production of 170,000,000 bushels.

**Principal Crops—Australia, 1925-26 to 1930-31—continued.**  
**AVERAGE YIELD OF WHEAT PER ACRE, 1925-26 TO 1930-31.**

Season.	N.S.W.	Bushels.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tasmania.	Fed. Cap. Ter.	Total.
	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.
1925-26	11.56	11.64	11.89	11.60	9.69	20.72	18.28	11.22
1926-27	14.13	16.08	6.65	12.84	11.68	23.15	12.53	13.75
1927-28	8.92	8.54	17.59	8.18	12.13	26.25	7.12	9.68
1928-29	12.04	12.59	11.54	7.79	10.10	20.17	11.88	10.76
1929-30	8.66	7.13	20.75	6.40	10.95	22.37	19.06	8.47
1930-31	12.85	11.70	17.60	8.34	13.53	20.47	13.73	11.75

**NUMBER OF PRINCIPAL LIVE STOCK, 1925 to 1930.**

31st Dec.	N.S.W. (a)	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tasmania.	N. Ter.	Fed. Cap. Ter. (a)	Total.
<b>SHEEP.</b>									
1925	53,687,740	13,740,500	20,663,323	6,810,495	6,861,795	1,619,075	8,030	172,251	103,563,218
1926	55,705,923	14,919,653	16,860,772	7,283,945	7,458,766	1,807,558	6,407	224,077	104,267,101
1927	50,510,000	15,557,067	16,642,385	7,542,345	8,447,480	1,904,955	9,585	213,659	100,827,476
1928	50,184,950	16,493,222	18,509,201	7,079,947	8,943,002	2,000,605	7,635	207,211	103,430,773
1929	48,720,000	17,427,203	20,324,303	6,186,252	9,556,823	2,091,113	12,203	240,445	104,558,342
1930	649,870,000	16,477,995	22,542,043	5,980,959	9,882,761	62,000,000	15,838	183,077	106,952,673

**CATTLE.**

1925	2,931,818	1,513,787	6,436,645	873,597	835,911	212,373	970,342	5,312	13,279,785
1926	2,813,144	1,435,761	5,464,845	840,007	827,303	213,112	863,507	5,509	11,963,278
1927	2,843,654	1,327,077	5,225,804	816,314	846,735	210,894	835,390	6,188	11,617,056
1928	2,784,615	1,304,426	5,123,341	263,016	837,527	203,812	768,751	5,269	11,300,757
1929	2,686,132	1,335,242	5,208,588	204,516	836,646	214,643	711,607	4,760	11,202,134
1930	(c)	1,429,920	5,433,429	218,985	812,844	(c)	718,644	4,240	(c)

**HORSES.**

1925	649,634	463,051	637,436	244,111	170,563	37,785	46,380	1,501	2,250,361
1926	622,009	447,988	570,690	234,352	166,463	36,830	42,801	1,383	2,122,516
1927	598,377	428,666	547,412	224,027	165,021	35,872	40,108	1,208	2,040,691
1928	567,371	412,867	522,490	205,865	160,876	34,908	37,452	924	1,942,758
1929	534,945	393,015	500,104	189,054	159,528	34,336	33,703	929	1,845,614
1930	(c)	379,872	481,615	183,529	156,973	(c)	33,363	815	(c)

**PIGS.**

1925	382,331	339,601	199,598	90,794	74,316	41,009	382	343	1,123,374
1926	332,827	284,271	183,662	79,108	69,798	38,906	343	94	989,009
1927	301,819	212,785	191,947	69,733	59,810	41,752	292	69	878,207
1928	311,605	222,084	215,764	62,723	49,243	48,304	407	51	910,181
1929	323,499	285,978	238,037	74,906	64,522	52,899	559	124	1,018,324
1930	(c)	281,245	217,528	82,991	100,664	(c)	327	87	(c)

(a) At 30th June, year following.

(b) Estimates by Government Statisticians at 31st December, 1930.

(c) Not yet available.

**WOOL (AS IN THE GREASE) PRODUCED—1925-26 to 1930-31. (c)**

Season ended 30th June.	N.S.W. (a)	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust. (b)	Tasmania.	N. Ter.	Total.
	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.
1926..	402,490,000	139,076,017	158,744,544	69,007,266	51,827,080	12,564,000	30,000	833,738,907
1927..	499,322,000	151,624,528	129,435,804	72,365,200	59,300,023	12,333,000	30,000	924,410,553
1928..	443,860,000	148,503,795	136,544,333	78,369,918	67,549,734	13,272,000	30,000	888,129,780
1929..	484,753,597	179,854,306	150,108,044	74,616,004	63,890,984	14,900,000	30,000	968,152,935
1930..	461,852,890	160,682,578	161,087,873	67,300,881	72,562,594	14,100,000	30,000	937,596,816
1931(d)	432,000,000	146,777,000	168,000,000	63,478,524	76,951,500	14,000,000	30,000	901,237,024

(a) Including Federal Capital Territory.

(b) For year ended previous 31st December.

(c) Estimate for 1931-32, 950,000,000 lb.

(d) Subject to revision.

## PRINCIPAL DAIRY PRODUCE, 1925-26 to 1930-31.

Year.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	Fed. Cap. Ter.	Total.
BUTTER.								
	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.
1925-26..	106,953,339	81,747,291	63,001,073	13,882,850	2,591,818	5,122,992	14,322	273,313,685
1926-27..	95,832,624	81,995,815	51,402,633	13,416,904	3,829,728	6,032,597	20,758	252,531,059
1927-28..	100,794,838	84,270,812	72,039,151	12,136,638	4,265,258	6,514,642	16,065	280,037,404
1928-29..	95,337,240	93,728,516	77,044,859	11,315,714	5,051,083	7,393,089	10,094	259,883,200
1929-30..	104,175,340	90,639,652	78,796,483	10,789,706	6,179,489	8,488,932	10,943	299,080,545
1930-31 (c)	113,791,000	108,611,000	95,896,000	12,454,000	8,666,399	9,000,000	12,000	348,430,399

## CHEESE.

	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb. (b)	lb.	lb.	lb.
1925-26..	6,462,535	5,279,009	12,580,942	3,638,278	3,818	836,738	..	23,799,320
1926-27..	6,735,960	5,997,648	9,260,043	3,708,730	5,172	971,644	..	26,079,197
1927-28..	7,284,622	5,621,945	14,128,420	3,465,456	5,088	1,029,344	..	31,534,875
1928-29..	6,339,052	5,505,932	14,391,910	2,975,095	7,526	997,588	..	30,217,101
1929-30..	6,345,785	6,953,949	12,380,882	3,536,943	998	954,463	..	30,173,020
1930-31 (c)	(d)	(d)	13,642,488	3,773,571	528	(d)	..	(d)

## BACON AND HAM.

	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.
1925-26..	22,949,531	21,213,925	18,326,728	5,600,760	2,960,139	2,314,756	5,840	73,374,679
1926-27..	24,600,275	20,952,310	18,288,690	5,165,070	2,678,830	1,946,323	2,790	73,634,888
1927-28..	25,479,208	20,605,148	18,264,855	5,111,465	2,760,694	2,780,304	..	75,001,674
1928-29..	23,087,271	19,401,447	22,043,114	5,110,352	2,557,068	2,293,745	1,400	74,499,397
1929-30..	21,616,472	18,888,537	19,195,176	5,232,873	2,713,127	2,454,548	1,248	70,101,981
1930-31 (c)	(d)	(d)	(d)	(d)	2,042,702	(d)	(d)	(d)

(a) Including Bacon and Ham cured in Western Australia from animals slaughtered in other States. (b) Cheese made on farms only. (c) Subject to revision. (d) Not yet available.

## VALUE OF PRINCIPAL MINERALS PRODUCED, 1925 to 1930.

Year.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tasmania.	N. Ter. (a)	Total.
GOLD.								
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1925 ..	82,493	200,901	197,118	3,535	1,874,320	14,969	1,939	2,375,230
1926 ..	82,551	208,471	43,914	3,219	1,857,716	17,936	594	2,214,401
1927 ..	76,595	183,699	161,321	1,776	1,734,571	20,646	468	2,159,076
1928 ..	54,503	144,068	56,395	2,258	1,671,093	15,306	431	1,944,054
1929 ..	31,842	111,609	40,250	4,239	1,602,142	23,772	553	1,814,457
1930 ..	53,066	102,456	33,224	5,569	1,768,623	18,976	57	1,981,971

## SILVER AND LEAD.

1925 ..	5,320,976	291	240,684	1,655	114,961	302,961	617	5,982,145
1926 ..	4,399,953	307	147,724	865	85,604	231,155	447	4,916,055
1927 ..	3,487,980	304	32,102	143	30,421	222,427	379	3,773,756
1928 ..	2,492,039	275	3,387	..	10,836	180,517	22	2,687,126
1929 ..	3,032,741	100	14,807	258	12,525	233,353	79	3,293,863
1930 ..	2,088,523	65	9,696	90	9,330	133,658	1,634	2,243,046

## COPPER.

1925 ..	30,215	..	254,074	35,878	18,200	436,661	15	775,043
1926 ..	22,473	..	73,591	14,631	84	454,854	60	565,743
1927 ..	12,655	..	218,842	12,452	101	362,938	..	607,038
1928 ..	3,497	..	177,043	13,321	765	444,802	..	639,423
1929 ..	14,133	30	294,188	22,932	2,778	740,985	..	1,075,146
1930 ..	8,347	..	174,075	6,966	102	620,578	539	810,657

(a) Year ended 30th June.

## Value of Principal Minerals Produced, 1925 to 1930—continued.

Year.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tasmania.	N. Ter. (a)	Total.
TIN.								
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1925 ..	250,944	11,592	161,500	..	15,392	297,515	15,966	752,909
1926 ..	326,474	5,075	174,147	..	10,450	322,528	15,852	854,524
1927 ..	287,539	11,454	193,774	..	13,316	317,593	18,754	842,430
1928 ..	231,843	12,954	134,727	..	15,002	258,676	10,828	664,030
1929 ..	191,199	3,545	114,518	..	13,432	130,014	6,958	459,666
1930 ..	84,800	..	49,708	..	10,608	69,592	3,345	218,053
COAL.								
1925 ..	9,302,515	762,521	1,037,956	..	363,203	70,424	..	11,536,619
1926 ..	9,436,520	846,697	1,098,927	..	394,400	90,401	..	11,866,945
1927 ..	9,782,002	982,533	987,465	..	407,967	99,802	..	12,259,769
1928 ..	8,263,729	933,408	971,690	..	420,145	106,558	..	10,695,530
1929 ..	5,952,720	991,422	1,199,599	..	426,706	105,877	..	8,676,324
1930 ..	5,193,032	802,677	952,856	..	894,758	110,253	..	7,453,576

## ALL MINERALS.

1925 ..	16,657,585	1,000,706	2,012,456	1,023,396	2,393,890	1,477,872	21,715	24,592,620
1926 ..	16,310,265	1,082,006	1,608,661	1,032,353	2,371,864	1,573,997	19,085	24,007,231
1927 ..	15,449,702	1,176,378	1,645,111	1,188,522	2,202,437	1,301,312	19,609	22,983,071
1928 ..	12,600,668	1,098,691	1,386,016	1,032,352	2,128,109	1,335,571	14,627	19,598,634
1929 ..	10,155,164	1,116,083	1,707,179	1,298,803	2,087,852	1,561,109	18,345	17,944,625
1930 ..	8,437,465	1,083,285	1,263,236	1,288,233	2,191,557	1,103,157	16,637	15,383,595

(a) Year ended 30th June.

## ESTIMATED VALUE OF PRODUCTION—AUSTRALIA, 1925-26 to 1929-30.

Year.	Agricultural.	Pastoral.	Dairy, Poultry and Bee Farming.	Forestry and Fisheries.	Mining.	Manufacturing. (a)	Total.
	£1,000.	£1,000.	£1,000.	£1,000.	£1,000.	£1,000.	£1,000.
1925-26 ..	89,267	113,327	48,278	12,784	24,592	143,256	431,504
1926-27 ..	98,295	111,716	46,980	12,790	24,007	153,634	447,422
1927-28 ..	84,328	124,554	50,261	12,181	22,983	158,562	452,869
1928-29 ..	89,440	116,733	50,717	11,617	19,697	159,759	447,863
1929-30 ..	77,109	84,563	49,398	11,371	17,945	149,184	389,570

(a) These amounts differ from those given in the following tables, owing to the inclusion in those tables of certain products which are included in Dairy Farming and Forestry in this table.

## MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES—AUSTRALIA, 1925-26 to 1929-30.

Year.	No. of Establishments.	Hands Employed.	Salaries and Wages Paid. (a)	Value of Plant, Machinery, Land and Buildings.	Value of Materials Used.	Value of Production.	Value of Output.
	No.	No.	£	£	£	£	£
1925-26	21,242	436,297	86,724,683	208,813,782	231,834,908	155,424,259	400,342,393
1926-27	21,579	452,184	90,575,166	220,092,363	232,643,518	162,325,273	408,692,838
1927-28	22,775	449,728	91,365,319	231,254,208	235,617,260	167,402,772	416,994,009
1928-29	22,916	450,482	90,986,908	239,348,849	238,938,566	167,623,316	420,445,288
1929-30	22,700	419,194	84,717,033	245,695,920	220,945,187	156,364,432	390,912,373

(a) Exclusive of amounts drawn by working proprietors.



## MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES—DETAILS FOR STATES—1927-28 to 1929-30.

Particulars.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	Total.
1927-28.							
1. Factories .. ..No.	8,362	8,245	2,118	1,860	1,398	792	22,775
2. Hands employed (a) .. ..	178,094	156,348	44,711	39,044	20,420	11,111	449,728
3. Wages paid (b) .. ..£	37,818,141	30,030,352	9,140,223	8,164,238	4,210,675	2,001,690	91,365,319
4. Value of fuel used .. ..	6,791,235	3,712,886	1,032,303	1,366,853	586,965	483,685	13,973,977
5. " materials used .. ..	102,807,287	70,954,166	28,620,664	20,571,650	8,579,656	4,083,837	235,617,260
6. " of production .. ..	71,804,512	53,798,265	16,809,873	13,487,671	7,831,563	3,670,888	167,402,772
7. " of output of fact's., ..	181,403,084	128,465,317	46,482,840	35,426,174	16,993,184	8,238,410	416,994,009
8. " land & buildings .. ..	49,414,310	34,761,340	9,123,821	8,786,280	5,381,864	2,558,778	110,026,393
9. " plant & mchry. .. ..	50,489,675	32,745,680	16,592,358	9,421,202	5,553,295	6,425,605	121,227,815
1928-29.							
1. Factories .. ..No.	8,465	8,197	2,156	1,844	1,469	785	22,916
2. Hands employed (a) .. ..	180,806	156,568	45,031	36,807	20,804	10,466	450,482
3. Wages paid (b) .. ..£	38,544,687	29,466,767	9,097,672	7,609,813	4,373,090	1,894,927	90,986,908
4. Value of fuel used .. ..	6,773,214	3,641,148	1,006,627	1,237,729	624,031	550,657	13,883,406
5. " materials used .. ..	104,897,920	71,231,036	29,882,434	19,821,262	8,736,489	4,369,065	238,938,566
6. " of production .. ..	73,627,441	53,025,279	16,752,475	12,568,377	8,093,550	3,556,194	167,623,316
7. " of output of fact's., ..	185,298,575	127,897,463	47,641,636	33,677,368	17,454,430	8,475,916	420,445,288
8. " land & buildings .. ..	51,375,003	36,184,460	9,665,239	8,934,405	5,808,539	2,688,415	114,656,061
9. " plant & mchry. .. ..	51,865,710	33,724,910	16,719,349	10,382,257	6,154,115	6,346,447	124,692,788
1929-30.							
1. Factories .. ..No.	8,208	8,195	2,172	1,814	1,466	845	22,700
2. Hands employed (a) .. ..	162,913	151,009	42,624	32,185	19,643	10,820	419,194
3. Wages paid (b) .. ..£	34,875,995	28,387,840	8,690,872	6,579,186	4,154,080	2,023,160	84,717,033
4. Value of fuel used .. ..	6,471,071	3,714,072	950,194	1,255,146	617,758	504,513	13,602,754
5. " material used .. ..	93,931,937	67,837,659	28,005,241	18,080,989	8,685,647	4,408,714	220,945,187
6. " of production .. ..	66,847,610	51,259,368	16,130,503	10,976,649	7,588,077	3,562,225	156,364,432
7. " of output of fact's., ..	187,250,618	122,811,099	45,085,938	30,812,784	16,391,482	8,560,452	390,912,373
8. " land & buildings .. ..	53,785,319	36,988,485	9,690,313	8,937,039	5,670,214	2,996,859	118,063,229
9. " plant & mchry. .. ..	53,515,368	35,022,535	15,723,983	10,286,674	6,112,186	6,966,945	127,627,691

(a) Includes working proprietors.

(b) Exclusive of amounts drawn by working proprietors.

MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES—VALUE OF PRODUCTION—  
AUSTRALIA, 1926-27 to 1929-30.

Industries.	1926-27.	1927-28.	1928-29.	1929-30.
	£	£	£	£
Treating raw materials, product of agricultural and pastoral, &c., pursuits ..	3,604,519	2,858,275	2,968,251	2,887,553
Treating oils and fats .. ..	1,821,323	1,737,596	1,803,240	1,627,045
Processes in stone, clay, glass, &c. ..	8,715,364	8,781,369	8,443,301	7,242,496
Working in wood .. ..	10,310,969	9,653,668	8,714,587	7,744,476
Metal works, machinery, &c. .. ..	35,268,116	35,048,536	35,709,422	32,018,458
Connected with food and drink, &c. ..	31,750,752	36,711,643	36,125,152	34,580,507
Clothing and textile fabrics, &c. .. ..	24,468,131	24,387,228	24,498,509	23,013,962
Books, paper, printing, and engraving ..	11,921,841	12,301,742	12,397,565	12,119,726
Musical instruments, &c. .. ..	762,113	697,502	732,728	634,281
Arms and explosives .. ..	325,208	328,857	347,410	320,058
Motor and other road vehicles and accessories .. ..	7,649,081	7,654,736	8,328,106	7,139,426
Ship and boat building and repairing ..	1,745,490	2,068,839	1,885,151	1,468,271
Furniture, bedding, and upholstery .. ..	4,978,719	4,895,298	4,613,876	4,014,982
Drugs, chemicals, and by-products .. ..	4,815,113	4,872,973	5,144,364	5,284,300
Surgical and other scientific instruments	234,238	248,122	284,593	265,731
Jewellery, timepieces, and platedware ..	685,506	695,694	672,051	627,316
Heat, light, and power .. ..	9,979,441	10,269,597	10,603,915	11,402,073
Rubber goods and leatherware, n.e.i. ..	3,027,046	3,919,906	4,010,606	3,624,522
Other industries, n.e.i. .. ..	262,303	271,191	340,489	349,249
	162,325,273	167,402,772	167,623,316	156,364,432

**MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES.—Percentage of Each Item of Outlay on Value of Total Output, 1929-30.**

Particulars.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	Total.
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
Wages(a) ..	26.85	23.12	19.28	21.70	24.60	23.69	21.67
Fuel and Light ..	3.87	3.02	2.11	4.14	3.66	6.94	3.48
Materials used ..	56.16	55.24	62.12	59.65	51.42	51.44	56.52
Margin for profits and miscellaneous expenses & charges	19.12	18.62	16.49	14.51	20.32	17.93	18.33
Total output ..	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
Per cent. of Wages on value of Production ..	52.17	55.38	53.88	59.94	54.76	56.94	54.18

(a) Exclusive of amount drawn by working proprietors.

**MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES.—Average Amount of Salaries and Wages paid per Employee(a) 1925-26 to 1929-30.**

Year.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	Total.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1925-26 ..	206.20	194.69	206.41	207.02	210.98	194.38	207.35
1926-27 ..	215.04	198.67	216.99	211.84	210.83	196.17	208.65
1927-28 ..	220.75	201.83	212.33	217.34	216.60	189.30	212.12
1928-29 ..	221.37	197.41	209.45	215.11	220.87	189.80	210.63
1929-30 ..	222.67	197.07	211.80	213.62	222.32	195.81	210.97

(a) Exclusive of working proprietors and amounts drawn by them.

**MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES.—Average Number of Males and Females Employed, 1929-30.**

Sex.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	Total.
Males ..	122,006	100,135	35,141	26,485	15,921	8,547	308,235
Females ..	40,907	50,874	7,483	5,700	3,722	2,273	110,959
Masculinity(a) ..	298	197	470	465	428	376	278

(a) Number of males per 100 females.

**Section III.—Shipping and Commerce.**

**SHIPPING.—NET TONNAGE ENTERED AND CLEARED—AUSTRALIA, 1926-27 to 1931-32.**

Year.	Tonnage Entered.			Tonnage Cleared.		
	With Cargo.	In Ballast.	Total.	With Cargo.	In Ballast.	Total.
1926-27 ..	4,898,874	660,001	5,558,875	5,028,051	577,049	5,605,100
1927-28 ..	4,992,965	426,080	5,419,045	4,784,979	721,274	5,506,253
1928-29 ..	4,927,564	624,019	5,551,583	4,907,261	638,320	5,545,581
1929-30 ..	5,075,343	369,103	5,444,446	4,544,974	954,707	5,499,681
1930-31 ..	4,127,967	1,453,550	5,581,517	5,216,872	451,801	5,668,673
1930-31 (3 mos.)	1,030,202	107,692	1,137,894	976,060	140,152	1,116,212
1931-32 (3 mos.)	897,216	275,610	1,172,826	1,101,437	85,172	1,186,609

# OVERSEA AND INTERSTATE TONNAGE OF CARGO—Discharged and Shipped, States, 1926-27 to 1930-31.

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NOTE.—Cargo recorded by measurement has been converted to tons on the basis of 40 cubic feet = 1 ton.

State or Territory.	Discharged.				Shipped.			
	Interstate.		Oversea.		Interstate.		Oversea.	
	Tons Weight.	Tons Measurement.	Tons Weight.	Tons Measurement.	Tons Weight.	Tons Measurement.	Tons Weight.	Tons Measurement.
1930-31.								
New South Wales ..	846	348	662	539	1,661	370	1,655	253
Victoria ..	1,202	108	880	203	404	100	1,125	144
Queensland ..	98	289	164	99	220	108	450	10
South Australia ..	650	69	288	102	667	57	1,128	61
Western Australia ..	95	82	350	82	20	19	1,374	79
Tasmania ..	252	133	30	12	261	151	70	92
Northern Territory ..	6	..	2	..	2	..	1	..
Total ..	3,149	1,029	2,376	1,037	3,295	805	5,803	639
1929-30.								
New South Wales ..	993	517	1,046	1,129	1,315	489	608	266
Victoria ..	1,240	105	1,628	531	607	88	490	121
Queensland ..	86	356	262	211	354	188	467	28
South Australia ..	579	126	819	207	873	96	1,379	83
Western Australia ..	132	146	546	181	43	44	936	52
Tasmania ..	254	181	46	39	262	206	71	93
Northern Territory ..	7	1	1	..	2	..	3	1
Total ..	3,291	1,432	4,348	2,298	3,461	1,111	3,954	644
Total 1928-29 ..	4,101	1,541	3,597	2,470	4,382	1,169	4,529	760
" 1927-28 ..	4,870	1,238	3,347	2,543	5,090	1,135	3,740	947
" 1926-27 ..	5,606	1,083	3,097	2,858	5,765	1,032	4,313	933

## OVERSEA SHIPPING FREIGHT RATES BETWEEN AUSTRALIA AND THE UNITED KINGDOM AND CONTINENT AT 31st DECEMBER, 1931.

(Subject to adjustment on account of exchange for exports from Australia.)

(40 Cubic Feet = 1 Ton Measurement.)

### FOODSTUFFS OF ANIMAL ORIGIN, EXCLUDING LIVE ANIMALS—

Butter (Refrigerator) ..	..	..	..	..	..	4s. per box.
Butter substitutes ..	..	..	..	..	..	63s. per ton measurement.
Cheese (Refrigerator) ..	..	..	..	..	..	3d. per lb.
Meats, Potted or Concentrated ..	..	..	..	..	..	63s. per ton measurement.
Meats, Preserved by Cold Process (Refrigerator)—						
Beef ..	..	..	..	..	..	3d. per lb.
Lamb ..	..	..	..	..	..	1½d. per lb.
Mutton ..	..	..	..	..	..	1d. per lb.
Rabbits and Hares ..	..	..	..	..	..	80s. per ton measurement.
Preserved in tins ..	..	..	..	..	..	3d. per lb.
Other ..	..	..	..	..	..	3d. per lb.
Milk and Cream ..	..	..	..	..	..	3d. per lb.
All other Animal Foodstuffs ..	..	..	..	..	..	3d. per lb.

### FOODSTUFFS OF VEGETABLE ORIGIN—

Biscuits ..	..	..	..	..	..	63s. per ton measurement.
Jams ..	..	..	..	..	..	63s. per ton measurement.
Jellies ..	..	..	..	..	..	63s. per ton measurement.
Dried Fruits ..	..	..	..	..	..	63s. per ton measurement.
Fruits, Fresh—Apples (Refrigerator) ..	..	..	..	..	..	3s. 6d. per case.
Oranges (bushel cases) ..	..	..	..	..	..	3s. 2d. per case.
Wheat, Unprepared Parcels (a) ..	..	..	..	..	..	30s. per ton weight.
Flour, Wheaten ..	..	..	..	..	..	32s. 6d. per ton weight.
All other Vegetable Foodstuffs ..	..	..	..	..	..	63s. per ton measurement.
BEVERAGES (NON-ALCOHOLIC) AND SUBSTANCES USED IN MAKING	..	..	..	..	..	63s. per ton measurement.
BEVERAGES (ALCOHOLIC) ..	..	..	..	..	..	63s. per ton measurement.
TOBACCO, AND PREPARATIONS THEREOF ..	..	..	..	..	..	63s. per ton measurement.

**Overses Shipping Freight Rates between Australia and the United Kingdom and  
Continent at 31st December, 1931—continued.**

**(40 Cubic Feet = 1 Ton Measurement.)**

ANIMAL SUBSTANCES (MAINLY MANUFACTURED), NOT FOODSTUFFS—					
Skins, Hides .. .. .	..	..	..	..	1d. per lb.
Rabbit and Hare .. .. .	..	..	..	..	1d. per lb.
Sheep .. .. .	..	..	..	..	2d. per lb.
Other .. .. .	..	..	..	..	1d. per lb.
Pearlshell .. .. .	..	..	..	..	63s. per ton measurement.
Wool—Greasy .. .. .	..	..	..	..	1d. per lb. + 5% less 10%.
Scoured and Washed .. .. .	..	..	..	..	1d. per lb. + 5% less 10%.
Tops .. .. .	..	..	..	..	1d. per lb. net.
All other Animal Substances .. .. .	..	..	..	..	1d. per lb. + 5% less 10%.
VEGETABLE SUBSTANCES AND FIBRES—					
Bark, Tanning (Chopped) .. .. .	..	..	..	..	63s. per ton weight.
(Ground) .. .. .	..	..	..	..	47s. 3d. per ton weight.
Copra .. .. .	..	..	..	..	61s. 3d. per ton weight.
Sandalwood .. .. .	..	..	..	..	63s. per ton measurement.
Fibre .. .. .	..	..	..	..	78s. 9d. per ton weight.
APPAREL, TEXTILES, AND MANUFACTURED FIBRES—					
Boots and Shoes .. .. .	..	..	..	..	63s. per ton measurement.
All other Apparel .. .. .	..	..	..	..	63s. per ton measurement.
Binder Twine .. .. .	..	..	..	..	110s. per ton weight.
OILS, FATS, AND WAXES—					
Oil, Coconut .. .. .	..	..	..	..	70s. 9d. per ton weight.
Tallow, Unrefined .. .. .	..	..	..	..	70s. 9d. per ton weight.
Beeswax .. .. .	..	..	..	..	63s. per ton measurement.
Dripping .. .. .	..	..	..	cases	63s. per ton measurement.
Paints and Varnishes .. .. .	..	..	..	cases	70s. 9d. per ton weight.
ORES AND METALS, UNMANUFACTURED OR PARTLY MANUFACTURED—					
Wolfram .. .. .	..	..	..	..	32s. 6d. per ton weight.
Zinc, Ashes .. .. .	..	..	..	..	40s. 6d. per ton weight.
Dross or Dust .. .. .	..	..	..	cases	126s. per ton weight.
Sheets .. .. .	..	..	..	cases	55s. per ton weight.
RUBBER AND LEATHER AND MANUFACTURES THEREOF, AND SUBSTITUTES					
THEREOF—	..	..	..	..	..
Rubber Manufactures .. .. .	..	..	..	..	56s. 9d. per ton measurement.
Leather .. .. .	..	..	..	..	137s. 9d. per ton weight.
WOOD, RAW AND MANUFACTURED—					
Timber, Sawn (under 2 tons weight per piece) .. .. .	..	..	..	..	11s. per 100 super. feet.
Squared or Round (under 2 tons weight per piece) .. .. .	..	..	..	..	11s. per 100 super. feet.
PAPER AND STATIONERY .. .. .					
DRUGS, CHEMICALS, AND FERTILIZERS—	..	..	..	..	63s. per ton measurement.
Oil, Eucalyptus .. .. .	..	..	..	..	63s. per ton measurement.
MISCELLANEOUS—					
Soap .. .. .	..	..	..	..	63s. per ton measurement.
SPECIAL .. .. .	..	..	..	..	15s. per cent.

(a) Charter rate for December 23s. 3d. per ton.

**INTERSTATE AND NEW ZEALAND SHIPPING FREIGHT RATES,  
31st December, 1931.**

**(Per Ton Weight or Measurement: 1 Ton Meas. = 40 Cubic Feet.)**

To—	From—		
	Brisbane.	Sydney.	Melbourne.
Brisbane .. .. .	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
Sydney .. .. .	10 0	16 0	22 6
Melbourne .. .. .	25 0	15 0	15 0
Adelaide .. .. .	38 0	25 0	20 0
Fremantle .. .. .	59 0	43 0	38 0
Perth .. .. .	59 0	43 0a	38 0a
Hobart .. .. .	45 6f	22 0	22 0
Launceston .. .. .	38 6	22 6	19 6
Devonport .. .. .	38 0	22 0	19 6
Burnie .. .. .	38 0	22 0	19 6
Auckland .. .. .	..	35 0	35 0
Wellington .. .. .	..	35 0b	35 0b
Lyttelton .. .. .	..	62 6c	35 0
Dunedin .. .. .	..	62 6c	35 0
New Caledonia .. .. .	..	52 6	75 3d
New Hebrides, Solomon Islands (British), and Territory of New Guinea (Rabaul) .. .. .	60 0	60 0	82 6
Norfolk Island .. .. .	50 0	50 0	72 6
Papua .. .. .	..	60 0	82 6

(a) Plus lighterage, 8s. 6d. per ton measurement, or 9s. 6d. per ton weight.

(b) Plus Wellington Harbour Improvement charges, 1s. 0d.

(c) Transhipped at Wellington, plus 1s. 0d., Wellington Harbour Improvement charges.

(d) Transhipped at Sydney.

(e) Transhipped at Sydney, plus 1s. 0d., Wellington Harbour Improvement charges.

(f) Including transhipment.



## COMMERCE.—VALUE OF DIRECT OVERSEA IMPORTS, 1926-27 to 1930-31.

States and Territories.	1926-27.	1927-28.	1928-29.	1929-30.	1930-31.
	£	£	£	£	£
New South Wales .. ..	68,933,904	65,081,801	63,491,751	57,127,427	26,311,411
Victoria .. ..	55,560,936	47,911,131	46,005,650	42,301,083	20,305,201
Queensland .. ..	13,497,758	11,760,214	11,594,348	11,540,083	5,556,434
South Australia .. ..	15,507,260	12,509,300	11,305,866	9,360,275	3,816,258
Western Australia .. ..	9,447,033	9,011,294	9,453,169	8,879,010	4,060,261
Tasmania .. ..	1,732,889	1,640,817	1,765,052	1,834,530	790,817
Northern Territory .. ..	36,814	30,413	32,045	38,902	19,251
Total .. ..	164,716,594	147,944,970	143,647,881	131,081,320	60,959,633

## VALUE OF DIRECT OVERSEA EXPORTS, 1926-27 to 1930-31.(a)

States and Territories.	1926-27.	1927-28.	1928-29.	1929-30.	1930-31.
	£	£	£	£	£
New South Wales .. ..	62,748,005	51,816,131	49,231,220	35,761,807	31,390,862
Victoria .. ..	34,556,433	31,591,878	39,090,707	36,499,943	25,857,887
Queensland .. ..	14,162,943	20,051,389	20,438,051	18,821,824	16,756,413
South Australia .. ..	17,123,012	18,030,143	14,811,542	15,009,496	10,061,535
Western Australia .. ..	13,067,922	16,252,679	15,301,307	16,004,694	15,704,211
Tasmania .. ..	2,396,496	3,434,456	2,706,042	2,970,913	2,317,472
Northern Territory .. ..	29,786	29,265	53,720	58,471	14,966
Total .. ..	144,084,597	141,205,941	141,632,589	125,127,148	102,103,336

(a) Goods destined for overseas countries are largely transferred from one State to another for trans-shipment to the overseas country. In this table such goods are shown against the State from which they were finally dispatched. (b) The 1930-31 exports of merchandise generally were recorded in Australian currency values, and exports of bullion and specie in British currency. The following tables are expressed uniformly in sterling.

## EXTERNAL TRADE.—AUSTRALIA—VALUE OF, AND VALUE PER HEAD OF POPULATION, 1926-27 to 1930-31.

Year.	Value in Sterling.					Value per Head.								
	Total Trade.	Imports.	Exports. (a) (b)			Total Trade.	Imports.	Exports.			Total.			
			Aust. Produce.	Other Produce.	Total.			Aust. Produce.	Other Produce.	Total.				
	£	£	£	£	£	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
1926-27	308,801,191	164,716,594	141,113,153	2,971,444	144,084,597	50 10 9	26 10 2	2 23 1	10 0 9	9 23 11	7			
1927-28	239,150,911	147,944,970	136,962,122	4,243,819	141,205,941	46 7 6	23 14 7	21 19 4	0 13 7	22 12 11				
1928-29	285,280,470	143,647,881	138,540,861	3,091,728	141,632,589	45 0 4	22 13 4	21 17 3	0 9 9	22 7 0				
1929-30	256,208,468	131,081,320	122,616,864	2,510,264	125,127,148	39 18 10	20 8 3	10 2 4	0 7 10	10 10 2				
1930-31	149,863,775	60,959,633	86,988,142	1,916,000	88,904,142	23 2 10	9 8 3	13 8 8	0 5 11	13 14 7				

(a) Does not include the value of Stores shipped in Australian ports on board overseas ships. The value of Ships' Stores was in 1926-27, £2,781,312; in 1927-28, £2,601,034; in 1928-29, £2,316,116; in 1929-30, £2,046,561, and in 1930-31, £1,653,141. (b) See footnote (b) to previous table.

Year.	Imports.			Exports.			Excess of Exports.		
	Mer- chandise.	Specie and Bullion.	Total.	Mer- chandise.	Specie and Bullion.	Total.	Mer- chandise.	Specie and Bullion.	Total.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1926-27	164,127,759	588,835	164,716,594	131,781,291	12,303,306	144,084,597	-32,346,468	11,714,471	-20,631,997
1927-28	146,936,540	1,008,430	147,944,970	137,465,193	3,740,748	141,205,941	-9,471,347	2,732,318	-6,739,029
1928-29	143,281,449	366,432	143,647,881	137,706,069	3,926,520	141,632,589	-5,575,380	3,560,088	-2,015,292
1929-30	130,758,534	322,786	131,081,320	97,378,299	27,748,849	125,127,148	-33,380,285	27,426,068	-5,954,172
1930-31	60,560,787	398,846	60,959,633	75,857,186a	13,046,956	88,904,142b	15,296,399	12,648,110	27,944,509

(a) British currency values. The actual recorded value was £89,056,330. (b) The estimated Australian currency value was £104,354,638. (c) Vide page 28 for a summary of overseas trade in the current financial year.

NOTE.—The minus sign (—) denotes an excess of imports.

## CUSTOMS AND EXCISE REVENUE—AUSTRALIA.

Gross Revenue from Customs and Excise, under the Sixteen Tariff Divisions, and Total Net Revenue collected during the December Quarter of 1930 and 1931, during the first six months of 1930-31 and 1931-32, and the financial years 1929-30 and 1930-31.

Compiled from information supplied by the Department of Trade and Customs.

(Subject to Revision.)

Division.	December Quarter.		Six Months.		Financial Year.	
	1930.	1931.	1930-31.	1931-32.	1929-30.	1930-31.
<b>CUSTOMS.</b>	£	£	£	£	£	£
1. Ale, Spirits, and Beverages ..	244,123	259,590	499,896	498,924	2,606,031	1,047,823
2. Tobacco, and Manufactures thereof ..	883,205	1,120,785	1,678,830	2,213,538	3,570,490	3,450,114
3. Sugar ..	Dr. 215	35	571	130	10,166	816
4. Agricultural Products and Groceries ..	272,258	342,688	423,345	580,543	1,293,383	1,014,050
5. Textiles, &c., and Attire ..	523,205	432,696	1,435,264	922,180	5,244,343	2,160,767
6. Metals and Machinery ..	546,469	211,472	1,378,143	434,639	5,121,458	1,978,419
7. Oils, Paints and Varnishes ..	996,501	1,254,562	1,517,855	2,486,831	4,195,266	3,977,408
8. Earthenware, &c. ..	121,005	58,569	273,471	105,925	724,572	366,812
9. Drugs and Chemicals ..	105,212	65,020	222,293	132,648	551,807	371,291
10. Wood, Wicker and Cane ..	136,894	48,653	289,673	109,158	1,978,232	442,346
11. Jewellery and Fancy Goods ..	181,726	81,498	445,407	163,308	1,053,125	603,791
12. Leather and Rubber ..	66,634	90,103	124,467	150,424	577,485	305,761
13. Paper and Stationery ..	205,421	119,665	432,008	232,144	893,769	746,735
14. Vehicles ..	122,535	28,663	314,062	58,162	2,345,700	409,124
15. Musical Instruments ..	5,242	1,490	11,128	2,799	139,861	15,798
16. Miscellaneous ..	195,828	120,259	465,105	240,456	1,147,683	737,194
Export Duties ..	3,086	..	3,086	..	..	11,681
Primage ..	551,453	924,071	957,842	1,778,131	..	1,833,497
Ships' Stores ..	(a)	14,623	(a)	27,321	(a)	(a)
Other Miscellaneous Receipts ..	43,492	20,429	59,045	36,016	77,385	133,898
<b>Total Customs ..</b>	<b>5,204,074</b>	<b>5,203,871</b>	<b>10,531,491</b>	<b>10,163,277</b>	<b>31,530,756</b>	<b>19,607,325</b>
<b>EXCISE.</b>						
Beer ..	1,718,124	1,503,755	2,888,656	2,468,735	6,130,619	5,225,879
Concentrated Grape Must. ..	93,668	727	163,283	1,170	..	765
Petrol ..	349,651	80,984	785,181	154,409	45,686	315,581
Spirits ..	..	363,255	..	852,894	1,997,542	1,452,667
Tobacco, Cigars, Cigarettes, and Snuff ..	976,484	792,282	1,817,898	1,578,699	3,572,368	3,283,569
Playing Cards ..	2,327	2,432	5,928	5,401	120	10,433
Licences, &c. ..	7,908	6,885	8,253	7,635	11,574	11,537
<b>Total Excise ..</b>	<b>3,148,162</b>	<b>2,750,320</b>	<b>5,669,199</b>	<b>5,068,943</b>	<b>11,757,909</b>	<b>10,300,481</b>
<b>Total Gross Customs and Excise Collections</b>	<b>8,352,236</b>	<b>7,954,191</b>	<b>16,200,690</b>	<b>15,232,220</b>	<b>43,288,665</b>	<b>29,907,806</b>
<b>Drawbacks and Repayments ..</b>	<b>354,691</b>	<b>362,858</b>	<b>733,169</b>	<b>777,611</b>	<b>1,516,173</b>	<b>1,532,993</b>
<b>TOTAL NET REVENUE ..</b>	<b>7,997,545</b>	<b>7,591,333</b>	<b>15,467,521</b>	<b>14,454,609</b>	<b>41,772,492</b>	<b>28,374,813</b>

(a) Prior to the 1st July, 1931, the duty on ships' stores is included in the totals for the respective tariff divisions.

**IMPORTS INTO AUSTRALIA** of the undermentioned classes of goods—the produce or manufacture of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, Canada, Germany, Japan, Netherlands East Indies, the United States of America, and all countries, during the three months ended 30th September, 1931. (Values in British Currency).

Classes of Goods.	Great Britain and Northern Ireland.	Canada.	Germany.	Japan.	Netherlands East-Indies.	U.S. America.	Total all Countries.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1. Foodstuffs of animal origin	38,453	34,936	85	1,519	..	22,204	134,893
2. Foodstuffs of vegetable origin and non-alcoholic beverages ..	31,846	7	113	2,479	195,410	4,694	526,269
3. Spirituous and alcoholic liquors ..	34,866	..	23	..	..	..	38,983
4. Tobacco and preparations thereof ..	978	..	..	..	625	193,161	198,380
5. Live animals ..	2,449	32	11	108	6	15	5,703
6. Animal substances (mainly unmanufactured) not foodstuffs ..	4,789	1,566	1,898	41,044	590	3,097	126,187
7. Vegetable substances and fibres ..	15,108	2,617	3,267	10,116	39,202	17,396	284,583
8. Apparel, textiles, and manufactured fibres ..	2,036,248	7,367	86,709	456,125	6,746	169,028	3,567,930
9. Oils, fats, and waxes ..	39,768	..	6,792	4,184	428,733	416,038	980,498
10. Paints and varnishes ..	25,647	324	7,804	1	..	5,778	44,550
11. Stones and minerals, including ores, &c. ..	10,314	889	4,526	..	573	15,477	56,323
12. Metals, metal manufactures, and machinery ..	890,083	17,248	86,433	8,115	..	286,304	1,440,087
13. Rubber and leather, and manufactures thereof ..	46,132	1,204	12,451	344	6,247	21,685	142,890
14. Wood and wicker, raw and manufactured ..	5,675	53,063	1,980	1,597	1,822	67,488	221,581
15. Earthenware, cement, china, glass, &c. ..	64,720	22	6,375	20,568	6	10,989	118,077
16. Paper and stationery ..	541,300	103,486	26,442	5,238	30	65,567	801,564
17. Jewellery, timepieces, and fancy goods ..	44,796	152	22,583	14,289	3	10,428	132,322
18. Optical, surgical, and scientific instruments ..	81,956	22,759	11,962	52	..	114,375	250,360
19. Drugs, chemicals, and fertilizers ..	271,541	3,431	59,558	5,967	1,359	69,077	613,834
20. Miscellaneous ..	201,109	4,589	17,125	6,413	3,834	41,872	485,666
21. Gold and silver; and bronze specie ..	511	..	..	..	..	..	122,520
<b>Total ..</b>	<b>4,388,289</b>	<b>253,692</b>	<b>356,087</b>	<b>578,159</b>	<b>685,186</b>	<b>1,534,673</b>	<b>10,353,200</b>

**PRINCIPAL AGRICULTURAL, PASTORAL, AND DAIRY PRODUCE OF AUSTRALIAN ORIGIN EXPORTED FROM AUSTRALIA, 1926-27 to 1930-31.**

Year.	Butter.	Flour.	Wheat.	Wool.		Mutton and Lamb.	Beef.
				Greasy.	Scoured.(a)		
QUANTITY.							
	Centals.	Centals.	Centals.	Centals.	Centals.	Centals.	Centals.
1926-27	765,165	9,869,282	44,355,189	7,123,425	577,286	935,202	1,121,931
1927-28	991,649	8,675,900	31,825,414	6,888,446	538,507	463,630	1,600,947
1928-29	1,024,428	11,276,066	49,137,747	7,633,395	472,011	849,292	1,890,904
1929-30	1,076,631	9,314,664	24,234,424	6,994,006	449,146	1,004,112	1,567,487
1930-31	1,631,807	10,484,864	71,533,974	7,689,493	456,330	1,092,632	1,556,306
VALUE.—(AUSTRALIAN CURRENCY.)							
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1926-27	4,999,357	6,254,316	20,785,414	53,410,657	6,642,701	2,057,607	1,627,807
1927-28	6,727,323	5,229,463	14,629,899	58,796,050	7,299,851	1,188,506	2,377,791
1928-29	7,159,446	5,998,600	20,336,199	55,902,618	5,710,377	2,166,043	2,888,287
1929-30	7,001,540	4,948,927	10,036,535	32,931,609	3,664,991	2,386,186	2,569,788
1930-31	8,120,165	3,513,573	14,744,468	29,377,197	2,624,563	2,105,963	2,235,526

(a) Includes Tops, Nolls and Waste.

**VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES IMPORTED INTO AND EXPORTED FROM  
AUSTRALIA DURING THE DECEMBER QUARTER, 1930 AND 1931, AND  
THE FIRST SIX MONTHS OF THE FINANCIAL YEARS 1930-31 AND 1931-32.**

Compiled from information supplied by the Department of Trade and Customs.  
(Subject to revision.)

**IMPORTS (BRITISH CURRENCY VALUES).**

Article.	December Quarter.		First Six Months.	
	1930.	1931.	1930-31.	1931-32.
<b>CLASS I.—FOODSTUFFS OF ANIMAL ORIGIN, EXCLUDING LIVING ANIMALS.</b>	£	£	£	£
<b>Fish—</b>				
Preserved in Tins .. ..	173,692	112,877	275,433	174,811
Fresh, Smoked, Potted and Concentrated, &c. ..	53,518	38,548	129,990	71,659
<b>Meats—</b>				
Preserved in Tins .. ..	1,952	810	4,414	968
Sausage Casings .. ..	18,236	15,190	63,276	44,729
Other .. ..	4,362	1,996	14,935	5,790
Milk and Cream .. ..	5,813	135	12,272	4,132
Other Animal Foodstuffs ..	2,303	2,777	7,915	4,958
<b>Total, Class I. .. ..</b>	<b>259,876</b>	<b>172,333</b>	<b>508,235</b>	<b>307,047</b>
<b>CLASS II.—FOODSTUFFS OF VEGETABLE ORIGIN; NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES AND SUBSTANCES USED IN MAKING.</b>				
Caramel, Caramel Paste, Caramel Butter and Cocoa Butter ..	25,922	6,498	51,151	15,301
Cocoa and Chocolate .. ..	32,602	34,974	84,836	68,991
Coffee and Chicory .. ..	12,249	17,188	47,650	38,145
<b>Confectionery—</b>				
Chocolate .. ..	314	2	335	8
Other .. ..	756	486	2,279	1,179
<b>Fruits—</b>				
Dried, including Dates .. ..	28,538	32,949	30,371	33,925
<b>Fresh—</b>				
Bananas .. ..	5,820	2,957	12,929	3,532
Other .. ..	593	636	972	708
Fruits and Vegetables, n.e.i. pre- served in liquid .. ..	1,376	1,319	3,363	1,981
<b>Grain and Pulse—</b>				
Unprepared .. ..	4,301	4,929	18,544	13,715
<b>Prepared—</b>				
Rice .. ..	8,182	3,236	19,805	5,837
Other .. ..	1,398	1,950	5,542	4,194
Hops .. ..	2,300	117	5,449	117
Infants' and Invalids' Foods ..	6,490	5,527	20,739	12,082
Mustard .. ..	19,584	12,996	41,503	25,686
Nuts—Edible .. ..	77,119	69,619	120,256	113,801
Pickles and Sauces .. ..	8,045	1,840	13,238	2,981
Sago and Tapioca .. ..	9,937	9,080	20,479	19,537
Seeds—Canary, Hemp and Rape ..	8,687	658	21,823	1,990
Spices .. ..	31,083	20,372	65,752	48,341
Sugar .. ..	1	7	1	8
Tea .. ..	681,998	400,641	1,439,760	722,984
Vinegar .. ..	17	2	1,300	7
Other Vegetable Foodstuffs ..	39,166	17,779	75,789	36,975
<b>Total, Class II. .. ..</b>	<b>1,006,478</b>	<b>645,762</b>	<b>2,103,866</b>	<b>1,172,025</b>



VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES, ETC.—IMPORTS—*continued.*

Article.	December Quarter.		First Six Months.	
	1930.	1931.	1930-31.	1931-32.
	£	£	£	£
<b>CLASS III.—SPIRITUOUS AND ALCOHOLIC LIQUORS.</b>				
Ale, Beer, Porter, Cider and Perry	9,606	8,164	27,967	14,503
Spirits (Beverages)—				
Brandy .. .. .	1,801	593	8,138	903
Gin .. .. .	3,681	7,339	4,223	9,316
Rum .. .. .	665	276	1,043	706
Whisky .. .. .	189,984	43,993	250,597	72,367
Other, including Liqueurs ..	2,408	1,195	6,692	1,835
Wine (Fermented)—				
Sparkling .. .. .	1,403	160	4,529	281
Other .. .. .	1,853	791	5,150	1,601
Total, Class III. ..	211,401	62,511	308,339	101,512
<b>CLASS IV.—TOBACCO AND PREPARATIONS THEREOF.</b>				
Tobacco—				
Manufactured .. ..	16,850	4,409	36,258	7,630
Unmanufactured .. ..	595,900	173,110	752,448	362,297
Cigars .. .. .	9,133	1,494	24,105	4,097
Cigarettes .. .. .	23,727	3,665	67,715	6,023
Snuff .. .. .	81	93	331	221
Total, Class IV. ..	645,691	182,771	880,857	380,268
<b>CLASS V.—LIVE ANIMALS.</b> ..	10,864	5,703	38,375	11,017
<b>CLASS VI.—ANIMAL SUBSTANCES (MAINLY UNMANUFACTURED), NOT FOODSTUFFS.</b>				
Gelatine and Glue of all kinds ..	4,616	5,253	8,463	7,210
Hair and Fibre .. ..	8,097	7,780	21,222	14,602
Hides and Skins—				
Calf, Cattle, Horse .. ..	41,754	26,799	97,610	55,725
Sheep .. .. .	960	197	2,053	421
Other .. .. .	65,214	26,353	152,836	55,655
Silk, Raw .. .. .	81,013	76,693	197,335	112,030
Wool .. .. .	6,412	1,759	18,629	16,141
Other Animal Substances ..	16,507	10,340	39,805	20,310
Total, Class VI. ..	224,573	155,174	537,953	282,094
<b>CLASS VII.—VEGETABLE SUBSTANCES AND FIBRES.</b>				
Copra .. .. .	27,416	25,004	44,782	59,391
Cork and Cork Manufactures ..	21,245	15,163	43,036	28,789
Fibres—				
Cotton, Raw .. .. .	1,435	2,692	4,706	6,675
Flax and Hemp, including				
Phormium Tenax .. ..	45,539	36,525	103,713	80,361
Kapok .. .. .	25,784	17,442	68,751	34,289
Other .. .. .	27,437	19,695	59,778	46,255
Grass or Straw for Hatmaking,				
Furniture, Mats, &c. .. ..	2,168	3,570	6,714	8,261
Gums and Resins .. .. .	35,705	28,555	84,706	67,986
Pulp for Papermaking .. ..	48,837	61,353	106,897	104,066
Seeds—Linseed .. .. .	34,934	21,205	118,983	54,038
Tanning Substances—				
Bark .. .. .	..	..	236	10
Other .. .. .	12,150	10,183	24,175	20,831
Other Vegetable Substances ..	34,198	24,711	83,831	39,729
Total, Class VII. ..	316,848	266,098	750,308	550,681

VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES, ETC.—IMPORTS—*continued.*

Article.	December Quarter.		First Six Months.	
	1930.	1931.	1930-31.	1931-32.
	£	£	£	£
<b>CLASS VIII.—(a) APPAREL AND ATTIRE; (b) TEXTILES; (c) MANUFACTURED FIBRES.</b>				
<i>(a) Apparel and Attire.</i>				
Blouses, Skirts, Costumes, &c. (other than Knitted) .. ..	8,663	2,250	31,537	3,548
Boots and Shoes .. ..	18,876	31,928	49,611	65,351
Furs and other Skins wholly or partly made up and dressed or prepared .. ..	29,460	17,662	57,675	24,631
Gloves .. ..	41,684	35,192	145,087	86,358
Hats and Caps .. ..	26,803	18,494	85,448	48,693
Knitted Articles of Apparel—				
Blouses, Skirts, Jumpers, Underwear, &c. .. ..	1,450	859	5,113	2,190
Socks and Stockings .. ..	17,645	990	56,741	1,838
Men's and Boys' Outer Garments	715	51	3,941	208
Shirts, Collars, Ties, &c. ..	3,538	567	9,308	1,384
Trimmings and Ornaments ..	93,454	77,600	259,341	170,835
Other Apparel and Attire ..	47,908	30,915	134,992	57,741
Total, Apparel and Attire ..	290,196	216,508	838,794	462,777
<i>(b) Textiles.</i>				
Carpets, Linoleums and other Floor Coverings .. ..	202,963	118,827	494,077	224,009
Handkerchiefs and Serviettes of Cotton or Linen .. ..	52,815	25,418	154,552	53,553
Piece Goods—				
Canvas and Duck .. ..	79,496	69,795	189,796	117,070
Cotton and Linen .. ..	981,119	1,037,699	2,698,321	2,394,743
Hessian and Other Jute Piece Goods .. ..	75,926	82,929	183,231	154,296
Lace for Attire, &c. .. ..	32,825	23,337	95,071	48,592
Silk, or containing Silk .. ..	704,987	680,081	2,018,770	1,435,004
Velvets, Velveteens, Plushes, &c. .. ..	54,326	43,696	86,895	64,110
Woolens .. ..	41,443	8,018	138,049	17,877
Other .. ..	72,035	90,659	152,146	187,688
Quilts, Tablecovers, Sheets, &c.	35,479	22,860	78,450	41,516
Sewing and Other Cottons, Threads, &c. .. ..	90,072	111,269	251,929	244,220
Towels and Towelling .. ..	74,386	62,353	160,788	123,329
Other Textiles .. ..	76,229	29,485	159,434	60,309
Total, Textiles .. ..	2,574,101	2,406,426	6,861,509	5,166,316
<i>(c) Yarns and Manufactured Fibres.</i>				
Bags and Sacks—				
Bran, Chaff and Compressed Fodder .. ..	50,069	24,915	98,117	35,420
Corn and Flour .. ..	1,709,754	906,693	1,904,148	984,955
Woolpacks .. ..	16,098	26,594	264,101	253,964
Other .. ..	5,465	6,448	8,188	7,888
Cordage and Twines, excluding Metal Cordage .. ..	22,843	17,952	46,242	33,504
Yarns—				
Artificial Silk .. ..	104,026	126,568	209,989	225,245
Cotton .. ..	117,362	102,634	261,152	216,649
Wool .. ..	8,002	8,100	26,487	14,412
Other .. ..	13,111	7,469	35,708	16,979
Total, Yarns and Manufactured Fibres .. ..	2,046,730	1,227,373	2,854,132	1,789,016
Total, Class VIII. .. ..	4,911,027	3,850,307	10,554,435	7,418,109

VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES, ETC.—IMPORTS—*continued.*

Article.	December Quarter.		First Six Months.	
	1930.	1931.	1930-31.	1931-32.
	£	£	£	£
CLASS IX.—OILS, FATS AND WAXES.				
Fats and Waxes, &c. . . . .	43,751	31,667	89,462	66,441
Oils—				
Kerosene . . . . .	191,538	118,174	433,877	202,581
Linseed . . . . .	9,804	7,019	17,178	15,145
Lubricating (Mineral) . . . . .	210,719	113,631	464,851	241,456
Petroleum . . . . .	1,548,233	644,494	2,782,617	1,253,612
Turpentine . . . . .	15,742	14,656	30,128	34,271
Other . . . . .	72,299	117,278	149,710	214,848
Total, Class IX. . . . .	2,092,086	1,046,919	3,967,823	2,028,354
CLASS X.—PAINTS AND VARNISHES.				
Paints and Colours . . . . .	66,961	50,792	146,600	89,999
Varnishes, Stains, Lacquers, &c. . . . .	5,037	1,848	11,508	6,842
Total, Class X. . . . .	71,998	52,640	158,108	96,841
CLASS XI.—STONES AND MINERALS, INCLUDING ORES AND CONCENTRATES.				
Asphalt, Bitumen and Natural Pitch . . . . .	67,741	46,741	127,316	63,429
Stone (including Marble and Slate)—				
Abrasives . . . . .	17,198	11,882	39,100	24,023
Other Stones . . . . .	11,163	3,358	25,145	9,521
Other Minerals, &c., including Ores and Concentrates . . . . .	16,143	12,888	82,147	34,210
Total, Class XI. . . . .	112,245	74,869	273,708	131,183
CLASS XII.—METALS, METAL MANUFACTURES AND MACHINERY.				
(a) <i>Machines and Machinery.</i>				
Electric Machinery and Appliances—				
Batteries and Accumulators . . . . .	14,517	3,153	30,898	7,705
Cable and Wire, covered . . . . .	211,216	67,522	446,602	124,228
Dynamo Electric Machines . . . . .	115,901	49,870	210,859	86,538
Lamps, Filament, for Lighting and Heating . . . . .	82,111	20,929	432,898	55,454
Telegraph Instruments, &c., Telephones and Telephone Switchboards . . . . .	74,453	8,131	115,139	18,196
Other . . . . .	434,704	121,967	917,401	299,665
Implements and Machinery (Agricultural, Horticultural, &c.) . . . . .	33,766	12,043	135,693	26,554
Metal-working Machinery . . . . .	40,571	6,860	81,676	12,896
Motive-power Machinery (excluding electric) . . . . .	273,531	59,304	645,226	148,936
Printing Machinery . . . . .	42,882	8,012	81,019	14,877
Sewing Machines . . . . .	40,273	12,500	85,880	22,506
Yarn-making and Textile-making Machinery . . . . .	67,022	42,853	174,788	69,254
Other Machines and Machinery . . . . .	385,564	198,176	968,991	385,113
Total, Machines and Machinery . . . . .	1,816,511	611,320	4,327,070	1,271,922

VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES, ETC.—IMPORTS—*continued.*

Article.	December Quarter.		First Six Months.	
	1930.	1931.	1930-31.	1931-32.
CLASS XII.—METALS, METAL MANUFACTURES AND MACHINERY— <i>continued.</i>	£	£	£	£
(b) <i>Metals and Manufactures, other than Machinery.</i>				
Alloys .. ..	33,859	21,108	71,508	31,938
Bolts and Nuts, Rivets and Washers .. ..	9,207	3,326	22,092	6,600
Iron and Steel—				
Bars, Rods, Hoop, Ingots, &c.	80,102	44,234	184,394	81,765
Beams, Channels, Girders, Joists, &c. .. ..	15,200	145	27,675	4,758
Pig and Scrap .. ..	3,857	1,922	5,721	2,903
Pipes and Tubes .. ..	183,457	62,505	318,174	110,339
Plate and Sheet—				
Galvanized—				
Corrugated .. ..	34,605	1,937	122,278	2,605
Flat .. ..	14,936	666	58,759	1,332
Plain .. ..	127,271	38,842	241,026	76,218
Tinned .. ..	307,474	230,088	496,605	386,923
Rails, Fishplates, Fishbolts, &c.	3,050	..	5,010	189
Wire .. ..	29,959	12,011	63,350	20,339
Lamps and Lampware .. ..	41,629	28,183	95,887	46,996
Plated Ware and Cutlery .. ..	95,587	44,118	239,874	93,030
Tools of Trade (not being Machines) .. ..	131,173	76,955	271,090	145,213
Vehicles—				
Motor Cars—				
Bodies and Parts .. ..	9,001	1,509	12,427	2,734
Chassis and parts .. ..	292,825	72,904	772,208	144,146
Motor Cycles, Side Cars, &c. ..	37,896	3,412	61,374	6,946
Other, and parts .. ..	119,637	55,971	272,506	103,414
Other Metals and Metal Manufactures .. ..	394,759	220,480	941,489	431,453
Total, Metals and Manufactures	1,965,484	920,316	4,283,447	1,699,841
Total, Class XII. ..	3,781,995	1,531,636	8,610,517	2,971,763
CLASS XIII.—RUBBER AND LEATHER				
(a) <i>Rubber and Rubber Manufactures.</i>				
Crude Rubber, Rubber Waste, Masticated, &c. .. ..	127,503	78,731	183,060	122,712
Rubber Manufactures—				
Boot and Apparel Elastic, Rubber Thread .. ..	49,518	55,241	111,805	120,951
Tyres, Pneumatic and Other ..	9,586	2,289	19,366	4,536
Other .. ..	31,516	17,619	73,960	37,079
Total, Rubber, &c. ..	218,123	153,880	388,191	285,278
(b) <i>Leather and Manufactures of Leather.</i>				
Leather .. ..	14,281	7,146	33,071	13,601
Leather Manufactures, &c. ..	8,486	5,054	23,157	10,252
Total, Leather, &c. ..	22,767	12,200	56,228	23,853
Total, Class XIII. ..	240,890	166,080	444,419	309,131



VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES, ETC.—IMPORTS—*continued.*

Article.	December Quarter.		First Six Months.	
	1930.	1931.	1930-31.	1931-32.
	£	£	£	£
CLASS XIV.—WOOD AND WICKER, RAW AND MANUFACTURED.				
Timber—				
Dressed .. .. .	47,461	17,289	114,751	30,621
Undressed .. .. .	176,051	136,446	427,487	298,910
Wood and Wicker Manufactures, including Furniture ..	86,482	46,119	192,824	91,810
Total, Class XIV. ..	309,994	199,854	735,062	421,341
CLASS XV.—EARTHENWARE, CE- MENTS, CHINA, GLASS AND STONEWARE.				
Cement (Portland) .. ..	1,098	637	2,243	675
Crockery and other Household Ware .. .. .	142,631	81,165	305,235	143,476
Glass and Glassware .. ..	97,422	57,738	233,862	107,871
Other Earthenware, Cements, and Stoneware .. .. .	24,509	10,435	56,775	16,029
Total, Class XV. ..	265,660	149,975	598,115	268,051
CLASS XVI.—PAPER AND STATION- ERY.				
(a) <i>Paper.</i>				
Millboards and other boards ..	44,175	28,675	116,779	53,368
Printing .. .. .	477,815	435,573	1,020,579	821,010
Wrapping .. .. .	36,680	41,723	95,157	70,155
Writing and Typewriting .. ..	105,278	85,626	227,175	149,758
Other .. .. .	92,549	83,927	199,585	143,643
Total, Paper .. ..	756,497	675,524	1,659,275	1,237,934
(b) <i>Stationery and Paper Manu-         factures.</i>				
Books (printed), Directories, &c.	297,689	193,208	609,431	372,779
Paperhangings and Wallpapers	10,316	11,773	29,026	20,710
Pens and Pencils .. .. .	43,682	27,041	91,998	44,142
Other Stationery .. .. .	185,647	102,759	404,954	196,252
Total, Stationery, &c. ..	537,334	334,781	1,135,409	633,883
Total, Class XVI. ..	1,293,831	1,010,305	2,794,684	1,871,817
CLASS XVII.—JEWELLERY, TIME- PIECES AND FANCY GOODS.				
Fancy Goods—				
Toys .. .. .	64,324	21,333	149,389	43,897
Other .. .. .	116,297	60,867	308,050	131,336
Jewellery—				
Precious Stones (Unset)—				
Pearls, Cameos, &c. ..	10,514	14,454	39,746	20,908
Other .. .. .	21,525	10,329	57,027	21,081
Timepieces, Watches, Clocks, &c.	62,698	21,504	142,000	43,500
Total, Class XVII. ..	275,358	128,487	696,212	260,722

## VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES, ETC.—IMPORTS—continued.

Article.	December Quarter.		First Six Months.	
	1930.	1931.	1930-31.	1931-32.
	£	£	£	£
<b>CLASS XVIII.—OPTICAL, SURGICAL AND SCIENTIFIC INSTRUMENTS.</b>				
Films for Kinematographs, &c...	134,327	136,861	179,571	284,769
Surgical and Dental Instruments, &c. .. ..	61,869	44,673	132,249	100,802
Talking Machines—Phonographs, &c. .. ..	17,344	10,944	46,338	20,974
Other Optical and Scientific Instruments .. ..	73,351	34,548	163,417	70,821
Total, Class XVIII. ..	286,891	227,026	521,575	477,366
<b>CLASS XIX.—DRUGS, CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS.</b>				
Acid—Tartaric .. ..	2,283	1,607	6,647	1,827
Calcium Carbide .. ..	192	24	1,687	46
Cream of Tartar .. ..	1,123	189	17,225	357
Cyanides of Potassium and Sodium .. ..	13,252	10,650	20,421	23,125
Drugs and Medicinal Preparations—				
Proprietary Medicines .. ..	67,692	42,647	143,875	85,271
Other .. ..	29,816	23,081	68,063	47,794
Dyes .. ..	27,040	38,155	58,624	96,964
Fertilizers .. ..	217,812	91,858	512,932	216,268
Insecticides, Disinfectants, Washes and Dips .. ..	16,901	11,401	36,084	18,864
Oils—Essential (non-spirituous)	19,596	14,716	44,086	27,461
Perfumery and Toilet Preparations .. ..	47,867	27,664	125,768	61,240
Salt .. ..	11,419	8,614	25,778	16,747
Sodium Salts—				
Carbonate (Soda Ash) .. ..	29,850	19,878	49,688	43,831
Hydroxide (Caustic Soda) .. ..	30,881	26,797	50,692	51,715
Other .. ..	27,005	35,970	56,331	78,479
Spirits and Spirituous Preparations—				
Essences, Fruit Ethers, Flavours, Juices, Syrups .. ..	7,060	3,209	15,632	4,845
Other .. ..	14,916	6,254	32,407	11,025
Sulphur (Brimstone) .. ..	99,008	44,343	177,681	69,309
Other Drugs and Chemicals .. ..	213,183	164,926	417,424	330,688
Total, Class XIX. ..	876,896	571,983	1,861,045	1,185,856
<b>CLASS XX.—MISCELLANEOUS.</b>				
Arms, Ammunition and Explosives .. ..	74,355	69,164	192,302	121,873
Bags, Baskets, Boxes, Cases, Trunks, &c. .. ..	24,831	7,472	66,846	14,440
Brushware—				
Vacuum Cleaners (Household)	20,717	6,057	38,849	21,905
Other .. ..	16,789	5,462	44,836	10,592

VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES, ETC.—IMPORTS—*continued*.

Article.	December Quarter.		First Six Months.	
	1930.	1931.	1930-31.	1931-32.
CLASS XX.—MISCELLANEOUS— <i>continued</i> .				
	£	£	£	£
Matches and Vestas .. ..	464	21	1,298	34
Musical Instruments, &c.—				
Pianos .. ..	750	..	2,595	249
Player Pianos .. ..	629	155	1,977	302
Piano and Player Piano Parts	1,670	97	6,612	163
Other Musical Instruments and				
Parts .. ..	14,080	6,292	36,643	13,205
Outside Packages .. ..	501,369	11,776	1,115,048	22,024
Packings for Engines, Boilers, &c.	15,779	1,115	32,270	3,432
Soap .. ..	1,730	8,800	9,359	19,783
Vessels (Ships), including Fittings	22,449	308,297	107,849	584,882
All other Articles .. ..	168,047	93,083	353,316	191,303
Total, Class XX. ..	863,659	517,791	2,009,800	1,004,187
CLASS XXI.—GOLD AND SILVER				
AND BRONZE SPECIE.				
Gold, including Gold in matte ..	82,783	96,112	149,869	213,698
Silver, including Silver in matte	6,364	3,964	11,299	8,827
Bronze Specie .. ..	..	..	6	71
Total, Class XXI ..	89,147	100,076	161,174	222,596
SUMMARY.				
Importing States—				
New South Wales .. ..	7,430,282	4,513,193	16,274,522	8,968,455
Victoria .. ..	6,104,788	3,936,254	12,882,178	7,705,829
Queensland .. ..	1,553,547	895,226	3,565,090	1,844,034
South Australia .. ..	1,320,779	853,789	2,628,045	1,415,996
Western Australia .. ..	1,446,755	800,194	2,635,713	1,326,990
Tasmania .. ..	286,278	117,294	516,990	205,492
Northern Territory .. ..	4,979	2,350	12,072	5,165
GRAND TOTAL ..	18,147,408	11,118,300	38,514,610 <sup>a</sup>	21,471,961 <sup>a</sup>
TOTAL IMPORTS—				
Merchandise .. ..	18,058,273	10,018,224	38,353,538	21,249,420
Bullion and Specie .. ..	89,135	100,076	161,072	222,541

(a) The total value of imports in Australian currency is estimated at approximately—  
1930-31, £41,102,000; 1931-32, £27,914,000.

## OVERSEA TRADE.—SUMMARY OF IMPORTS AND EXPORTS FOR THE SIX MONTHS OF 1930-31 and 1931-32. (British Currency Values.)

Six Months.	Imports.			Exports.			Excess of Exports.		
	Merchandise.	Specie and Bullion.	Total.	Merchandise.	Specie and Bullion.	Total.	Merchandise.	Specie and Bullion.	Total.
1930-31 ..	£1,000	£1,000	£1,000	£1,000	£1,000	£1,000	£1,000	£1,000	£1,000
1931-32 ..	38,354	161	38,515	40,311	7,062	47,373	1,957	6,901	8,858
	21,250	222	21,472	35,383	3,129	38,512	14,133	2,907	17,040

VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES, ETC.—*continued.*  
**EXPORTS (RECORDED VALUES).**

Article.	December Quarter.		First Six Months.	
	1930.	1931.	1930-31.	1931-32.
	£	£	£	£
<b>CLASS I.—FOODSTUFFS OF ANIMAL ORIGIN, EXCLUDING LIVING ANIMALS.</b>				
Butter .. .. .	2,367,800	3,371,433	3,211,482	4,917,698
Butter Substitutes .. ..	77	4,077	124	4,182
Cheese .. .. .	82,119	96,341	162,524	124,100
Eggs .. .. .	181,630	357,641	320,413	530,147
Meats—				
Potted or Concentrated .. ..	12,328	13,682	25,460	25,035
Preserved by Cold Process—				
Beef .. .. .	588,376	509,002	1,267,110	1,199,966
Lamb .. .. .	916,447	1,194,133	1,003,553	1,816,438
Mutton .. .. .	218,543	250,657	274,180	593,917
Rabbits and Hares .. ..	68,146	125,561	260,258	323,929
Preserved in Tins .. ..	35,570	39,705	84,332	75,301
Sausage Casings .. ..	100,941	60,937	168,221	108,412
Other .. .. .	188,524	150,966	281,902	279,138
Milk and Cream .. ..	189,591	146,109	271,313	275,409
Other Animal Foodstuffs .. ..	2,658	13,896	7,437	17,919
Total, Class I. .. ..	4,952,750	6,334,140	7,338,309	10,291,591
<b>CLASS II.—FOODSTUFFS OF VEGETABLE ORIGIN; NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES AND SUBSTANCES USED IN MAKING.</b>				
Aerated Waters, Cocoa and Chocolate, Coffee and Chicory, Fruit Juices, &c. .. ..	13,762	13,833	26,046	27,703
Biscuits .. .. .	26,333	24,506	47,906	37,159
Confectionery .. .. .	15,509	13,980	29,755	26,573
Fodders .. .. .	18,098	35,367	25,409	43,696
Fruits, Dried—				
Currants .. .. .	28,568	37,963	158,008	111,215
Raisins .. .. .	195,791	60,842	753,347	270,117
Other .. .. .	5,773	3,050	18,925	9,482
Fruits, Fresh—				
Apples .. .. .	659	1,010	21,886	13,043
Citrus .. .. .	42,824	60,556	86,357	136,544
Other .. .. .	10,589	9,341	35,468	30,673
Fruits, preserved in liquid .. ..	64,276	131,131	214,849	290,921
Fruits and Vegetables, pulped .. ..	1,870	3,984	9,434	6,671
Grain and Pulse—				
Unprepared—				
Barley .. .. .	78,264	50,830	148,150	79,628
Wheat .. .. .	2,389,547	2,421,060	4,083,528	4,876,016
Other .. .. .	19,392	20,453	36,059	27,965
Prepared—				
Bran, Pollard and Sharps .. ..	18,922	60,121	38,593	126,925
Flour (Wheaten) .. ..	879,711	906,738	1,982,795	1,571,812
Rice .. .. .	11,734	25,931	26,107	40,764
Other .. .. .	2,420	3,458	5,004	5,932
Jams and Fruit Jellies .. ..	9,234	12,458	18,413	23,678
Sugar .. .. .	919,340	1,293,950	1,607,663	2,163,069
Tea .. .. .	24,428	8,285	42,585	18,722
Other Vegetable Foodstuffs .. ..	21,529	72,241	40,423	130,800
Total, Class II. .. ..	4,798,573	5,271,088	9,456,710	10,069,108



VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES, ETC.—EXPORTS—*continued.*

Article.	December Quarter.		First Six Months.	
	1930.	1931.	1930-31.	1931-32.
	£	£	£	£
<b>CLASS III.—SPIRITUOUS AND ALCOHOLIC LIQUORS.</b>				
Ale, Beer, Porter, Cider and Perry	11,837	11,196	22,043	22,039
Spirits (Beverages) .. ..	12,074	4,329	20,638	13,139
Wine .. ..	157,449	356,748	241,646	493,780
Total, Class III. ..	181,360	372,273	284,327	528,958
<b>CLASS IV.—TOBACCO AND PREPARATIONS THEREOF.</b>				
Cigars, Cigarettes and Snuff ..	3,965	3,761	7,972	8,056
Tobacco .. ..	92,125	53,682	182,503	137,028
Total, Class IV. ..	96,090	57,443	190,475	145,084
<b>CLASS V.—LIVE ANIMALS.</b>				
Cattle .. ..	864	1,037	4,567	2,557
Horses .. ..	104,469	94,610	123,414	102,626
Sheep .. ..	4,020	4,170	5,855	5,057
Other Living Animals ..	1,371	2,142	2,204	3,415
Total, Class V. ..	110,724	101,959	136,040	113,655
<b>CLASS VI.—ANIMAL SUBSTANCES (MAINLY UNMANUFACTURED), NOT FOODSTUFFS.</b>				
Hides and Skins—				
Calf, Cattle and Horse ..	227,089	105,847	458,789	178,356
Fox .. ..	7,869	6,397	42,329	45,419
Kangaroo and Wallaby ..	80,838	64,706	126,763	93,458
Opossum .. ..	45,696	100,557	214,543	302,170
Rabbit and Hare .. ..	106,384	115,484	407,016	415,725
Sheep .. ..	583,671	523,584	1,354,848	841,216
Other .. ..	2,806	559	4,374	1,591
Pearlshell .. ..	110,606	61,391	212,688	100,534
Trochus Shell .. ..	9,222	3,935	18,351	10,200
Wool—				
Greasy .. ..	11,550,327	12,732,944	15,715,627	15,813,538
Scoured and washed ..	646,026	1,042,928	1,441,827	1,660,805
Tops .. ..	40,389	107,440	47,465	135,091
Other Animal Substances ..	35,376	48,109	65,594	70,067
Total, Class VI. ..	13,446,299	14,913,881	20,110,214	19,668,170
<b>CLASS VII.—VEGETABLE SUBSTANCES AND FIBRES.</b>				
Bark, Tanning .. ..	15,090	8,531	17,757	11,017
Copra .. ..	1	..	9,420	7
Fibres—				
Cotton, raw .. ..	3,060	..	3,060	..
Other .. ..	7,163	5,532	18,179	10,731
Sandalwood .. ..	28,357	14,360	35,521	36,999
Other Vegetable Substances ..	11,855	13,608	41,959	28,243
Total, Class VII. ..	65,526	42,031	125,896	86,997

VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES, ETC.—EXPORTS—*continued.*

Article.	December Quarter.		First Six Months.	
	1930.	1931.	1930-31.	1931-32.
<b>CLASS VIII.—(a) APPAREL AND ATTIRE; (b) TEXTILES; (c) MANUFACTURED FIBRES.</b>	£	£	£	£
Boots and Shoes .. ..	4,846	17,014	10,462	29,541
Other Apparel and Attire ..	45,495	32,716	83,850	69,914
Piece Goods .. ..	40,278	33,545	68,537	55,461
Other Textiles .. ..	23,423	24,417	48,147	56,035
Manufactured Fibres, including Bags, Cordage and Yarns ..	20,485	14,228	36,139	31,030
<b>Total, Class VIII. ..</b>	<b>134,527</b>	<b>121,920</b>	<b>247,135</b>	<b>241,981</b>
<b>CLASS IX.—OILS, FATS AND WAXES.</b>				
Fats and Waxes .. ..	8,025	22,826	16,369	29,381
Oils .. ..	13,247	23,131	31,079	37,221
Tallow, unrefined .. ..	170,076	314,187	326,338	473,907
<b>Total, Class IX. ..</b>	<b>191,348</b>	<b>360,144</b>	<b>373,786</b>	<b>540,509</b>
<b>CLASS X.—PAINTS AND VARNISHES.</b>	<b>11,003</b>	<b>12,837</b>	<b>23,570</b>	<b>26,122</b>
<b>CLASS XI.—STONES AND MINERALS, INCLUDING ORES AND CONCENTRATES.</b>				
Coal .. ..	79,948	103,804	206,169	186,624
Ores and Concentrates—				
Silver and Silver Lead ..	17,029	6,780	95,042	16,069
Zinc .. ..	152,015	12,040	400,693	35,086
Other .. ..	33,726	20,712	84,181	27,427
Other Stones and Minerals ..	2,529	868	6,578	2,951
<b>Total, Class XI. ..</b>	<b>285,247</b>	<b>144,204</b>	<b>792,663</b>	<b>268,157</b>
<b>CLASS XII.—METALS, METAL MANUFACTURES AND MACHINERY.</b>				
(a) <i>Machines and Machinery.</i>				
Machines and Machinery ..	151,097	146,065	327,800	266,162
(b) <i>Metals and Metal Manufactures other than Machinery.</i>				
Copper—Ingots, and in matte ..	96,222	134,024	243,856	275,176
Iron and Steel—Manufactured and partly manufactured ..	24,572	38,342	42,430	65,832
Lead—Pig, and in matte ..	546,503	552,255	1,236,116	1,007,088
Platinum, Osmium, &c.—Bars, Blocks, Rods, &c. ..	2,296	8,750	5,321	13,244
Tin—Ingots .. ..	25,354	67,243	39,385	92,431
Vehicles .. ..	26,674	39,031	71,339	79,658
Zinc—Bars, Blocks, &c. ..	184,190	215,851	264,173	382,907
Other Metals, and manufactures thereof .. ..	96,166	91,840	221,832	157,196
<b>Total, Class XII. ..</b>	<b>1,153,074</b>	<b>1,293,401</b>	<b>2,452,252</b>	<b>2,339,694</b>

VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES, ETC.—EXPORTS—*continued.*

Article.	December Quarter.		First Six Months.	
	1930.	1931.	1930-31.	1931-32.
CLASS XIII.—RUBBER AND LEATHER AND MANUFACTURES THEREOF AND SUBSTITUTES THEREFOR.	£	£	£	£
Rubber and Manufactures ..	33,140	15,525	52,930	26,354
Leather .. .. .	112,765	133,160	223,176	215,688
Leather Manufactures, &c. ..	5,039	3,562	11,348	7,917
Total, Class XIII. ..	150,944	152,247	287,454	249,959
CLASS XIV.—WOOD AND WICKER, RAW AND MANUFACTURED.				
Timber .. .. .	206,231	166,773	465,289	283,764
Wood and Wicker Manufactures, including Furniture ..	16,027	21,652	33,194	44,374
Total, Class XIV. ..	222,258	188,425	498,483	328,138
CLASS XV. — EARTHENWARE, CEMENTS, CHINA, GLASS AND STONEWARE .. .. .	20,243	21,781	33,291	34,331
CLASS XVI.—PAPER AND STATION- ERY.				
Paper .. .. .	13,270	15,883	28,359	29,394
Stationery .. .. .	54,310	32,936	94,842	68,437
Total, Class XVI. ..	67,580	48,819	123,201	97,831
CLASS XVII.—JEWELLERY, TIME- PIECES AND FANCY GOODS.				
Precious Stones, unset, Pearls, Cameos, &c. .. .. .	16,794	19,852	26,120	29,833
Other Jewellery, Timepieces and Fancy Goods .. .. .	15,312	14,867	28,114	29,388
Total, Class XVII. ..	32,106	34,719	54,234	59,221
CLASS XVIII.—OPTICAL, SURGICAL AND SCIENTIFIC INSTRUMENTS.				
Photographic Goods and Materials —Cameras, &c. .. .. .	23,218	19,300	35,932	26,536
Talking Machines, Phonographs, &c. .. .. .	33,184	13,409	67,922	29,923
Other Optical, Surgical and Scientific Instruments ..	53,247	39,499	75,090	83,205
Total, Class XVIII. ..	109,649	72,208	178,944	139,664

## VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES, ETC.—EXPORTS—continued.

Article.	December Quarter.		First Six Months.	
	1930.	1931.	1930-31.	1931-32.
<b>CLASS XIX.—DRUGS, CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS.</b>	£	£	£	£
Cascia .. .. .	8,388	5,204	11,952	8,276
Fertilizers—				
Ammonium Sulphate ..	359	1	500	537
Other .. .. .	571	4,125	2,298	5,348
Medicines .. .. .	23,449	26,050	50,487	46,673
Oils—				
Essential (non-spirituos), N.E.I.	14,981	20,005	33,695	30,862
Eucalyptus .. .. .	13,106	18,053	25,626	26,907
Other Drugs and Chemicals ..	66,364	74,254	124,777	128,714
Total, Class XIX. ..	127,218	147,692	249,335	247,317
<b>CLASS XX.—MISCELLANEOUS.</b>				
Arms, Ammunition and Explosives .. .. .	6,061	26,383	31,575	47,131
Personal and Household Effects, &c. .. .. .	21,485	22,207	56,627	45,583
Soap .. .. .	64,526	66,800	145,748	114,392
Vessels (Ships) transferred abroad	25,000	..	37,500	13,500
All other Articles .. .. .	38,010	45,733	79,825	88,992
Total, Class XX. ..	155,082	161,123	351,275	309,598
<b>CLASS XXI.—GOLD AND SILVER; AND BRONZE SPECIE.</b>				
Gold, including Gold in matte ..	437,614	1,693,610	6,626,772	3,577,821
Silver, including Silver in matte	205,264	182,306	432,129	314,139
Bronze Specie .. .. .	3,449	9,946	3,459	37,992
Total, Class XXI. ..	646,327	1,885,862	7,062,360	3,929,952
<b>SUMMARY.</b>				
<b>States of Final Shipment—</b>				
New South Wales .. .. .	9,014,003	11,721,884	14,887,369	17,125,797
Victoria .. .. .	7,685,065	8,961,056	13,422,827	13,386,065
Queensland .. .. .	4,901,964	5,360,574	9,644,840	9,841,899
South Australia .. .. .	2,495,544	2,570,351	4,620,133	4,178,361
Western Australia .. .. .	2,611,310	2,821,285	7,392,913	4,618,478
Tasmania .. .. .	242,230	292,902	388,741	551,763
Northern Territory .. .. .	7,812	10,145	18,131	13,674
Total { Australian Produce	26,379,001	31,156,152	49,284,124	48,605,173
{ Other Produce ..	578,927	582,045	1,090,830	1,110,864
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b> ..	26,957,928	31,738,197	50,374,954a	49,716,037a
<b>TOTAL EXPORTS—</b>				
Merchandise .. .. .	26,311,601	29,852,335	43,312,594	45,786,085
Bullion and Specie .. .. .	646,327	1,885,862	7,062,360	3,929,952

(a) Recorded values. The corresponding British currency value is estimated at—1930-31, £47,373,000; 1931-32, £38,512,000. Imports are recorded in British currency values. Exports of merchandise are, recorded mostly in Australian currency, also exports of bullion and specie: *vide* page 28 for a statement of the Balance of Trade in sterling values.



**PRINCIPAL AGRICULTURAL, PASTORAL, AND DAIRY PRODUCE** of  
Australian Origin exported from each State to Various Countries during the  
first six months of 1930-31 and 1931-32.

NOTE.—In these tables exports are referred to the State from which they were  
finally dispatched.

**BUTTER (AUSTRALIAN PRODUCE) EXPORTED.**

JULY TO DECEMBER 1930-31 AND 1931-32.

Cnuntry to which Exported.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queens- land.	South Aus- tralia.	Western Aus- tralia.	Tas- mania.	Australia— Six months.	
							1931-32.	1930-31.
QUANTITY.								
	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.
Great Britain and Northern Ireland ..	148,972	393,611	289,957	46,625	11,977	..	891,142	612,277
Canada ..	2,240	112	..	..	..	..	2,352	15,822
Ceylon ..	444	728	597	..	..	..	1,769	1,338
Hong Kong ..	2,054	129	73	..	..	..	2,256	1,003
India ..	181	186	3	..	..	..	370	258
Malaya (British) ..	529	4,546	1,041	..	..	..	6,116	3,766
Mauritius ..	..	860	..	..	..	..	860	484
Pacific Islands ..	464	75	187	..	..	..	726	797
Other British Countries ..	677	509	121	..	..	..	1,307	1,473
Belgium ..	309	2	..	..	..	..	311	1,708
China ..	4,205	976	1,493	..	..	..	6,374	4,048
Egypt ..	2,034	462	3,740	4	..	..	6,240	4,452
Germany ..	..	27	..	..	..	..	27	2,354
Japan ..	122	91	43	..	..	..	256	469
Netherlands East Indies ..	1,763	33,713	1,490	..	..	..	36,966	30,199
Pacific Islands ..	806	6	..	..	..	..	812	801
Panama ..	3,024	601	..	..	..	..	3,625	1,680
Philippine Islands ..	2,106	998	1,164	..	..	..	4,268	6,058
Other Foreign Countries ..	3,765	448	47	..	..	..	4,260	2,991
Total— Six Months—								
1931-32 ..	173,695	438,080	299,956	46,629	11,977	..	970,337	..
1930-31 ..	113,404	302,852	259,713	16,004	5	..	..	691,978

**RECORDED VALUE.**

	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Great Britain and Northern Ireland ..	789,537	1,986,607	1,391,920	246,430	74,232	..	4,488,726	2,798,615
Canada ..	11,863	583	..	..	..	..	12,446	72,259
Ceylon ..	2,487	3,970	3,362	..	..	..	9,819	6,912
Hong Kong ..	11,789	687	452	..	..	..	12,878	5,247
India ..	1,187	984	19	..	..	..	2,100	1,583
Malaya (British) ..	3,282	24,870	6,081	..	1	..	34,234	19,709
Mauritius ..	..	4,609	..	..	..	..	4,609	2,563
Pacific Islands ..	2,965	414	1,470	..	..	..	4,849	5,205
Other British Countries ..	4,079	2,779	942	..	..	..	7,800	8,092
Belgium ..	1,263	11	..	..	..	..	1,274	7,893
China ..	22,582	5,199	8,443	..	..	..	36,224	19,435
Egypt ..	10,435	2,395	21,389	20	..	..	34,239	27,320
Germany ..	..	149	..	..	..	..	149	10,346
Japan ..	720	497	252	..	..	..	1,469	2,548
Netherlands East Indies ..	8,369	181,500	9,100	..	..	..	198,969	158,618
Pacific Islands ..	4,831	33	..	..	..	..	4,864	4,816
Panama ..	13,843	3,263	..	..	..	..	17,106	8,364
Philippine Islands ..	11,622	5,382	8,111	..	..	..	25,115	36,155
Other Foreign Countries ..	18,032	2,423	283	..	..	..	20,738	15,802
Total—								
Six Months—								
1931-32 ..	918,836	2,226,355	1,451,824	246,450	74,233	..	4,917,698	..
1930-31 ..	562,709	1,310,354	1,262,750	75,636	33	..	..	3,211,482

**FLOUR (AUSTRALIAN PRODUCE) EXPORTED.**  
**JULY TO DECEMBER 1930-31 AND 1931-32.**

Country to which Exported.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queens- land.	South Aus- tralia.	Western Aus- tralia.	Tas- mania.	Australia— Six months.	
							1931-32.	1930-31.
QUANTITY.								
	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.
Great Britain and Northern Ireland ..	762,982	421,273	3	372,498	218,165	..	1,774,921	1,265,081
Ceylon ..	2,436	144,287	..	57,465	8,107	..	212,295	214,576
Cyprus ..	18,465	4,241	..	8,290	15,667	..	46,663	82,800
Hong Kong ..	113,339	62,826	..	..	..	..	176,165	47,689
Malaya (British) ..	253,341	119,691	..	12,177	108,563	..	493,772	423,706
Malta ..	3,360	16,873	..	8,825	18,157	..	47,215	32,799
Mauritius ..	..	139,329	..	..	..	..	139,329	48,827
New Zealand ..	42,427	10,899	..	295	..	..	53,621	38,493
Pacific Islands ..	47,668	2,674	3	..	..	..	50,345	69,657
South African Union ..	..	2,740	..	6,374	10,913	..	20,027	140,816
Sudan ..	47,597	24,987	..	3,755	1,680	..	78,019	64,347
Other British Countries ..	34,681	38,083	301	3,280	1,035	..	77,380	59,730
Africa, Portu- guese East ..	1,016	56,778	..	2,623	..	..	60,417	63,559
Africa, Portu- guese West ..	402	37,119	..	17,383	..	..	54,904	43,079
Egypt ..	218,057	276,721	..	327,563	176,928	..	999,869	1,359,848
Madagascar ..	3,540	20,872	..	..	745	..	25,157	34,243
Netherlands East Indies ..	355,033	444,859	..	45,115	89,813	..	934,820	675,035
Pacific Islands ..	68,727	900	..	..	..	..	69,627	49,771
Philippine Islands ..	101,242	11,150	..	..	..	..	112,392	79,189
Siam ..	23,126	48,477	..	..	..	..	71,603	63,272
Other Foreign Countries ..	35,531	51,289	120	3,110	14,348	..	104,398	138,042
Total—								
Six Months—								
1931-32 ..	2,133,570	1,936,068	427	868,753	664,121	..	5,602,939	..
1930-31 ..	1,681,522	1,928,446	35	554,781	829,691	84	..	4,994,559

**RECORDED VALUE.**

	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Great Britain and Northern Ireland ..	189,197	115,844	2	93,662	69,591	..	468,296	495,405
Ceylon ..	713	44,282	..	17,061	3,044	..	65,100	79,528
Cyprus ..	4,579	1,137	..	2,007	4,144	..	11,867	31,494
Hong Kong ..	40,217	17,243	..	..	..	..	57,460	19,325
Malaya (British) ..	73,655	34,986	..	3,367	32,589	..	144,597	177,657
Malta ..	656	4,388	..	2,800	5,422	..	13,266	12,632
Mauritius ..	..	39,216	..	..	..	..	39,216	21,615
New Zealand ..	16,120	3,446	..	82	..	..	19,648	16,253
Pacific Islands ..	17,639	371	2	..	..	..	18,012	31,776
South African Union ..	..	788	..	1,787	3,723	..	6,298	58,000
Sudan ..	12,403	6,615	..	1,036	504	..	20,558	26,979
Other British Countries ..	12,865	9,864	150	838	311	..	24,028	24,297
Africa, Portuguese East ..	347	17,220	..	779	..	..	18,346	26,489
Africa, Portuguese West ..	103	9,551	..	5,052	..	..	14,706	16,922
Egypt ..	55,849	75,328	..	82,265	51,674	..	265,116	496,219
Madagascar ..	918	5,049	..	..	234	..	6,201	15,468
Netherlands East Indies ..	108,295	115,796	..	11,623	26,197	..	261,911	290,621
Pacific Islands ..	25,110	270	..	..	..	..	25,380	21,845
Philippine Islands ..	38,403	3,529	..	..	..	..	41,932	38,261
Siam ..	6,955	12,465	..	..	..	..	19,420	26,733
Other Foreign Countries ..	11,573	13,984	70	786	4,041	..	30,454	55,224
<b>Total—</b>								
Six Months—								
1931-32 ..	615,597	531,372	224	223,145	201,474	..	1,571,812	..
1930-31 ..	681,205	728,921	30	212,767	359,797	32	..	1,982,752

**WHEAT (AUSTRALIAN PRODUCE) EXPORTED.**  
**JULY TO DECEMBER 1930-31 AND 1931-32.**

Country to which Exported.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queens- land.	South Aus- tralia.	Western Aus- tralia.	Tas- mania.	Australia— Six months.	
							1931-32.	1930-31.
QUANTITY.								
	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.
Great Britain and Northern Ireland ..	1,763,369	202,482	..	1,388,814	2,195,705	..	5,550,370	1,803,462
Great Britain and Northern Ireland (for orders) ..	152,365	146,595	..	..	..	..	298,960	..
India ..	..	..	..	..	181,711	..	181,711	1,177,733
Irish Free State ..	578,720	..	..	..	..	..	578,720	..
Port Said (for orders) ..	99,142	173,517	..	..	..	..	272,659	209,434
South African Union ..	2,464	3,360	..	10,018	30,166	..	46,008	140,228
Other British Countries ..	20,145	3,244	19	184,592	19,171	..	227,171	56,639
Africa, French West (for orders) ..	..	..	..	330,844	..	..	330,844	176,596
Belgium ..	237,505	24,580	..	7,444	..	..	269,529	211,172
Canary Islands ..	..	170,219	..	634,581	..	..	804,800	1,154,376
Canary Islands (for orders) ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	174,816
China ..	774,128	2,170,190	..	1,129,822	2,607,119	..	6,681,259	3,018,507
Italy ..	169,832	..	..	..	..	..	169,832	462,838
Japan ..	1,096,931	2,089,230	..	455,747	151,229	..	3,793,137	1,939,175
Peru ..	..	..	..	82,166	272,082	..	354,848	144,919
Other Foreign Countries ..	337,213	28	23	39,520	194,231	..	571,015	687,589
For Orders ..	1,079,196	224,756	..	..	1,303,641	..	2,607,593	3,920,160
Total—								
Six Months—								
1931-32 ..	6,311,010	5,208,201	42	4,263,548	6,955,655	..	22,738,456	..
1930-31 ..	4,318,147	2,522,078	15	2,708,992	5,728,412	..	..	15,277,644

**RECORDED VALUE.**

	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Great Britain and Northern Ireland ..	403,277	35,509	..	330,671	471,199	..	1,240,656	462,020
Great Britain and Northern Ireland (for orders) ..	30,528	23,342	..	..	..	..	53,870	..
India ..	..	..	..	..	33,440	..	33,440	302,620
Irish Free State ..	112,693	..	..	..	..	..	112,693	..
Port Said (for orders) ..	20,712	47,421	..	..	..	..	68,133	63,228
South African Union ..	702	989	..	1,283	8,242	..	11,216	32,292
Other British Countries ..	5,714	1,163	8	34,700	4,139	..	45,724	18,856
Africa, French West (for orders) ..	32,002	..	..	..	..	..	32,002	40,503
Belgium ..	51,496	5,596	..	1,465	..	..	58,557	62,315
Canary Islands ..	..	27,817	..	146,777	..	..	174,594	307,592
Canary Islands (for orders) ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	40,750
China ..	143,763	431,922	..	238,887	497,083	..	1,311,655	719,484
Italy ..	48,355	..	..	..	..	..	48,355	127,349
Japan ..	277,626	445,406	..	85,289	42,796	..	851,117	496,271
Peru ..	..	..	..	14,265	70,202	..	84,467	30,993
Other Foreign Countries ..	80,566	9	6	74,929	33,484	..	188,994	158,978
For Orders ..	171,415	38,035	..	..	279,349	..	488,799	1,219,670
Total—								
Six Months—								
1931-32 ..	1,378,849	1,057,209	14	928,266	1,439,934	..	4,804,272	..
1930-31 ..	1,110,697	662,072	8	701,105	1,609,039	..	..	4,082,921

## WOOL, GREASY (AUSTRALIAN PRODUCE), EXPORTED.

JULY TO DECEMBER, 1930-31 AND 1931-32.

Country to which Exported.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queens- land.	South Aus- tralia.	Western Aus- tralia.	Tas- mania.	Australia— Six months.	
							1931-32.	1930-31.

## QUANTITY.

	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.
Great Britain and Northern Ireland ..	543,685	395,020	204,371	181,331	185,309	6,392	1,516,108	1,388,674
Belgium ..	158,443	34,635	128,887	15,018	20,081	..	357,064	418,638
Bulgaria ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	11
Canada ..	229	..	..	..	..	..	229	..
Czechoslovakia ..	175	..	2,448	..	..	..	2,623	3,618
Danzig ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	29
France ..	247,613	117,152	91,306	55,184	53,324	..	564,579	878,001
Germany ..	196,106	64,271	132,262	21,229	31,087	..	444,955	636,172
India ..	..	2,639	..	113	..	..	2,752	777
Italy ..	118,542	63,126	118,166	23,278	27,676	..	350,788	267,992
Japan ..	461,081	208,159	220,102	..	..	..	889,342	586,042
Spain ..	2,350	912	1,439	..	..	..	4,701	9,873
Netherlands ..	..	1,717	..	..	..	..	1,717	1,662
Norway ..	..	..	51	..	..	..	51	..
Sweden ..	2,201	1,728	4,210	..	18	..	8,157	6,741
United States of America ..	35,692	21,861	10,058	102	94	..	67,807	95,984
Total—								
Six Months—								
1931-32 ..	1,766,117	911,220	913,300	296,255	317,539	6,392	4,210,873	..
1930-31 ..	1,812,964	935,513	776,324	315,945	448,352	5,116	..	4,294,214

## RECORDED VALUE.

	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Great Britain and Northern Ireland ..	2,047,095	1,812,899	803,087	613,476	652,666	28,561	5,957,784	5,283,626
Belgium ..	499,578	113,025	437,119	38,601	54,145	..	1,142,468	1,208,406
Bulgaria ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	48
Canada ..	1,414	..	..	..	..	..	1,414	..
Czechoslovakia ..	808	..	10,102	..	..	..	10,910	15,868
Danzig ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	66
France ..	735,395	419,785	285,979	146,044	174,874	..	1,762,077	2,873,712
Germany ..	742,247	263,612	513,276	67,195	107,490	..	1,693,820	2,226,462
India ..	..	11,947	..	400	..	..	12,347	3,040
Italy ..	407,669	266,280	434,081	63,849	99,632	..	1,271,511	1,008,234
Japan ..	1,787,739	834,181	897,749	..	..	..	3,519,669	2,527,606
Spain ..	14,870	5,417	6,888	..	..	..	27,175	49,814
Netherlands ..	..	10,045	..	..	..	..	10,045	5,593
Norway ..	..	..	275	..	..	..	275	..
Sweden ..	10,354	10,580	18,480	..	52	..	39,466	27,647
United States of America ..	190,903	123,677	49,070	361	566	..	364,577	485,534
Total—								
Six Months—								
1931-32 ..	6,438,072	3,871,448	3,456,106	929,926	1,089,425	28,561	15,813,538	..
1930-31 ..	6,682,166	3,477,780	3,093,285	870,553	1,559,944	31,928	..	15,715,656



## WOOL, SCOURED (AUSTRALIAN PRODUCE), EXPORTED.

JULY TO DECEMBER 1930-31 AND 1931-32.

Country to which Exported.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queens- land.	South Aus- tralia.	Western Aus- tralia.	Tas- mania.	Australia— Six months.	
							1931-32.	1930-31.

## QUANTITY.

	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.
Great Britain and Northern Ireland ..	64,284	48,071	58,325	14,911	5,367	15	190,973	132,275
" (a) ..	2,329	4	..	..	..	..	2,333	1,487
Belgium ..	24,719	1,108	7,221	654	649	..	34,351	22,591
" (a) ..	100	..	..	..	..	..	100	..
Canada ..	1,166	482	..	..	..	..	1,648	1,057
" (a) ..	6,999	49	..	..	..	..	7,048	2,716
France ..	16,043	5,202	4,461	2,292	1,111	..	29,109	37,981
Germany ..	6,601	7,703	7,999	734	90	..	23,127	29,324
" (a) ..	252	..	..	..	..	..	252	..
India ..	..	1,894	..	..	..	..	1,894	899
" (a) ..	704	..	..	..	..	..	704	..
Italy ..	19,384	571	1,650	..	46	..	21,651	3,681
" (a) ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	84
Japan ..	7,595	3,553	462	..	..	..	11,610	3,904
" (a) ..	100	114	..	..	..	..	214	220
United States of America ..	652	257	1,745	..	..	..	2,654	1,640
" (a) ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	447
Other Countries ..	983	1,039	220	..	55	50	2,347	1,676
" (a) ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	31
Total—								
Six Months—								
1931-32 ..	151,911	70,047	82,083	18,591	7,318	65	330,015	..
1930-31 ..	94,032	53,538	67,582	17,410	7,086	365	..	240,013

## RECORDED VALUE.

	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Great Britain and Northern Ireland ..	340,949	224,876	340,321	77,926	18,937	85	1,003,094	799,541
" (a) ..	28,322	30	..	..	..	..	28,352	7,313
Belgium ..	143,069	6,286	40,245	3,055	2,163	..	194,818	123,689
" (a) ..	1,060	..	..	..	..	..	1,060	..
Canada ..	6,439	3,015	..	..	..	..	9,454	6,692
" (a) ..	93,893	496	..	..	..	..	94,389	38,069
France ..	80,716	21,258	21,464	10,819	5,096	..	139,353	240,777
Germany ..	35,610	38,985	44,327	4,285	376	..	123,583	197,719
" (a) ..	3,290	..	..	..	..	..	3,290	..
India ..	..	9,228	..	..	..	..	9,228	4,852
" (a) ..	6,433	..	..	..	..	..	6,433	..
Italy ..	74,160	2,669	10,345	..	240	..	87,414	17,630
" (a) ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	540
Japan ..	37,528	19,990	2,234	..	..	..	59,752	20,541
" (a) ..	861	706	..	..	..	..	1,567	1,736
United States of America ..	4,847	1,472	14,140	..	..	..	20,459	11,257
" (a) ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6,987
Other Countries ..	5,258	6,110	1,703	..	236	343	13,650	11,726
" (a) ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	71
Total—								
Six Months—								
1931-32 ..	862,435	335,121	474,779	96,085	27,048	428	1,795,896	..
1930-31 ..	614,640	312,496	417,043	108,181	33,749	2,131	..	1,488,240

(a) Wool Tops.

**BEEF, FROZEN (AUSTRALIAN PRODUCE), EXPORTED.**  
**JULY TO DECEMBER 1930-31 AND 1931-32.**

Country to which Exported.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queens- land.	South Aus- tralia.	Western Aus- tralia.	Tas- mania.	Australia— Six months.	
							1931-32.	1930-31.
QUANTITY.								
	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.
Great Britain and Northern Ireland ..	76,485	9,104	572,618	..	24,632	..	682,839	529,853
Canada ..	71	182	..	..	..	..	253	90
Ceylon ..	1,082	2	1,344	..	..	..	2,423	2,388
Gibraltar ..	..	..	4,622	..	..	..	4,622	4,618
Hong Kong ..	300	..	4,247	..	..	..	4,547	3,573
Malaya (British) ..	1,031	10	10,220	..	..	..	11,261	11,339
Malta ..	..	..	11,451	..	..	..	11,451	21,341
Pacific Islands ..	893	272	217	..	..	..	1,382	898
Other British Countries ..	160	9	5	..	..	..	174	139
Belgium ..	..	..	78,740	..	60,113	..	138,853	127,809
China ..	653	..	1,214	..	..	..	1,867	1,610
Egypt ..	45	..	24,663	..	..	..	24,708	37,436
Germany ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	15,877
Italy ..	..	..	10,928	..	..	..	10,928	25,492
Japan ..	..	1,642	17,618	..	..	..	19,260	18,172
Netherlands East Indies ..	10	3	115	..	826	..	954	2,045
Pacific Islands ..	206	..	..	..	..	..	206	386
Philippine Islands ..	1,063	..	10,608	..	..	..	11,671	31,598
Total—								
Six Months—								
1931-32..	81,999	11,224	748,610	..	85,571	..	927,404	..
1930-31 ..	5,416	923	742,958	..	85,367	..	..	834,664

**RECORDED VALUE.**

	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Great Britain and Northern Ireland ..	120,855	11,068	727,515	..	26,188	..	886,526	806,028
Canada ..	118	254	..	..	..	..	372	182
Ceylon ..	2,317	10	2,814	..	..	..	5,141	5,574
Gibraltar ..	..	..	6,451	..	..	..	6,451	6,203
Hong Kong ..	485	..	7,042	..	..	..	7,527	6,649
Malaya (British) ..	1,932	37	20,570	..	..	..	22,539	23,744
Malta ..	..	..	15,750	..	..	..	15,750	28,765
Pacific Islands ..	1,901	705	877	..	..	..	3,483	2,482
Other British Countries ..	319	35	17	..	..	..	371	447
Belgium ..	..	..	100,188	..	62,368	..	162,556	172,337
China ..	1,020	..	1,683	..	..	..	2,703	2,740
Egypt ..	96	..	31,835	..	..	..	31,931	54,822
Germany ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	24,745
Italy ..	..	..	13,466	..	..	..	13,466	42,474
Japan ..	..	2,612	19,565	..	..	..	22,177	27,365
Netherlands East Indies ..	32	7	138	..	1,185	..	1,362	3,027
Pacific Islands ..	486	..	..	..	..	..	486	910
Philippine Islands ..	2,100	..	15,025	..	..	..	17,125	58,607
Total—								
Six Months—								
1931-32 ..	131,661	15,628	962,936	..	89,741	..	1,199,966	..
1930-31 ..	11,118	1,832	1,153,691	..	100,460	..	..	1,267,101

**MUTTON AND LAMB, FROZEN (AUSTRALIAN PRODUCE) EXPORTED.**  
**JULY TO DECEMBER 1930-31 AND 1931-32.**

Country to which Exported.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queens- land.	South Aus- tralia.	Western Aus- tralia.	Tas- mania.	Australia— Six months.	
							1931-32.	1930-31.

**QUANTITY.**

	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.
Great Britain and Northern Ireland ..	550,079	519,168	124,340	46,966	21,131	..	1,261,684	572,172
Belgium ..	8,245	1,625	7,403	..	..	..	17,273	5,484
Canada ..	2,674	2,005	..	..	..	..	4,679	2,555
Ceylon ..	1,215	360	..	..	..	..	1,575	2,630
Egypt ..	1,273	1,528	..	..	..	..	2,801	1,189
France ..	3,330	1,261	962	..	..	..	5,553	3,961
Gibraltar ..	1,124	142	18	..	..	..	1,284	1,132
Hong Kong ..	1,578	..	..	..	..	..	1,578	1,466
India ..	..	18	..	..	..	..	18	573
Japan ..	33	85	297	..	..	..	415	232
Malaya (British) ..	3,244	1,570	22	..	..	..	4,836	3,521
Malta ..	2,384	963	..	..	..	..	3,347	4,729
Pacific Islands— Territory of New Guinea ..	421	..	176	..	..	..	597	385
Other Islands ..	184	225	..	..	..	..	409	534
Philippine Islands ..	551	3	73	..	..	..	627	863
Other Countries ..	1,686	..	17	..	..	..	1,703	199
<b>Total—</b>								
Six Months—								
1931-32 ..	578,021	528,953	133,308	46,966	21,131	..	1,308,379	..
1930-31 ..	181,739	344,754	60,248	6,693	8,191	..	..	601,625

**RECORDED VALUE.**

	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Great Britain and Northern Ireland ..	920,383	1,110,234	157,806	106,262	51,315	..	2,346,000	1,223,358
Belgium ..	9,031	1,842	8,070	..	..	..	18,943	7,771
Canada ..	4,260	3,023	1	..	..	..	7,284	5,548
Ceylon ..	2,111	886	..	..	..	..	2,997	6,028
Egypt ..	1,616	1,786	..	..	..	..	3,402	2,173
France ..	3,902	1,291	1,151	..	..	..	6,344	5,881
Gibraltar ..	1,370	258	35	..	..	..	1,663	1,554
Hong Kong ..	2,839	..	..	..	..	..	2,839	2,832
India ..	..	36	..	..	..	..	36	1,720
Japan ..	50	114	519	..	..	..	683	441
Malaya (British) ..	5,481	3,935	45	..	..	..	9,461	8,425
Malta ..	2,914	1,269	..	..	..	..	4,183	7,662
Pacific Islands— Territory of New Guinea ..	639	..	441	..	..	..	1,080	799
Other Islands ..	303	549	3	..	..	..	855	1,208
Philippine Islands ..	1,184	4	163	..	..	..	1,351	1,941
Other Countries ..	3,213	..	21	..	..	..	3,234	385
<b>Total—</b>								
Six Months—								
1931-32 ..	959,296	1,125,227	168,255	106,262	51,315	..	2,410,355	..
1930-31 ..	341,203	810,796	94,978	14,168	16,581	..	..	1,277,726

## Section IV.—Finance.

## (A.) COMMONWEALTH FINANCE.

## COMMONWEALTH CONSOLIDATED REVENUE FUND.

RECEIPTS, (a) 1926-27 to 1930-31.

Sources of Revenue.	1926-27.	1927-28.	1928-29.	1929-30.	1930-31.
<b>TAXATION—</b>	£	£	£	£	£
Customs .. .. .	31,832,600	29,848,379	29,502,755	30,157,040	18,224,227
Excise .. .. .	11,719,878	11,598,351	11,555,816	11,617,351	10,070,846
Sales Tax .. .. .					3,472,854
Land Tax .. .. .	2,615,900	3,027,206	2,988,885	2,840,078	2,758,598
Probate and Succession Duties ..	1,362,351	1,752,118	2,080,149	2,122,478	2,068,865
Income Tax .. .. .	11,126,278	10,165,175	9,841,496	11,120,029	13,604,374
Income Tax — Commonwealth					
Salaries .. .. .					34,475
Entertainment Tax .. .. .	366,159	358,865	358,697	316,121	186,661
War-time Profits Tax .. .. .	Dr. 28,357	Dr. 112,236	Dr. 24,309	14,678	Dr. 794
<b>Total Taxation</b> .. .. .	58,994,809	56,637,858	56,303,489	58,187,775	50,420,106
<b>OTHER RECEIPTS—</b>					
Posta, Telegraphs and Telephones ..	11,606,819	12,304,142	12,813,396	13,551,087	12,839,104
Interest .. .. .	2,448,220	2,490,978	3,516,051	3,456,613	3,055,631
Patents, Trade Marks, &c. ..	41,594	44,258	44,917	58,300	54,429
Coinage .. .. .	373,071	203,252	92,593	41,070	141,846
Defence, including Balance of Trust					
Account .. .. .	152,494	132,877	117,614	103,351	79,005
Quarantine .. .. .	40,451	31,547	26,284	28,360	20,814
Marine .. .. .	216,781	212,490	210,162	201,211	196,501
Territories .. .. .	34,385	23,182	35,613	86,770	207,146
Trans-Australian Railway .. .. .	289,295	333,000	344,948	274,816	190,028
North Australia Railway .. .. .	62,202	68,844	50,259	31,291	28,986
Central Australia Railway .. .. .	105,988	191,115	185,811	104,724	86,360
Net Profit, Australian Note Issue	852,357	846,274	694,642	703,669	449,506
Miscellaneous .. .. .	313,294	288,410	458,715	314,352	1,797,458
<b>Total</b> .. .. .	75,541,760	73,808,227	74,894,799	77,143,389	69,566,920
<b>PER HEAD OF POPULATION (b)</b>	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Taxation .. .. .	9 13 2	9 1 9	8 17 10	9 1 6	7 15 10
Total Revenue .. .. .	12 7 5	11 16 11	11 16 7	12 0 8	10 14 11

(a) Excludes interest received from States on account of States' Debts.

(b) Based on mean population of the financial year.

## DISBURSEMENTS, (b) 1926-27 to 1930-31.

Departments, &c.	1926-27.	1927-28.	1928-29.	1929-30.	1930-31.
<b>GOVERNOR-GENERAL—</b>	£	£	£	£	£
Salary .. .. .	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000
Governor-General's Establishment, &c. ..	20,369	16,513	28,694	20,724	14,163
Miscellaneous (a) .. .. .	853	853	853	853	832
<b>Total</b> .. .. .	31,222	27,366	39,547	31,577	24,995
<b>PARLIAMENT—</b>					
Salaries of Ministers .. .. .	15,300	15,300	15,300	15,300	15,300
Allowances to Senators .. .. .	35,635	35,251	35,541	109,853	109,516
Allowances to Members of House of Representatives .. .. .	74,190	74,278	73,720		
Officers, Staff, Contingencies, &c. ..	71,837	81,941	73,940	78,039	75,764
Repairs, Maintenance, &c. .. .. .	1,832	4,459	6,179	5,561	5,327
Printing .. .. .	24,623	37,888	24,938	35,003	31,644
Travelling Expenses of Members and others	20,897	28,074	26,725	26,699	25,006
Insurance .. .. .	45				
Electoral Office .. .. .	87,007	88,226	86,410	90,051	92,182
Election Expenses .. .. .	1,685	875	118,831	106,932	1,717
Referendum .. .. .	105,366				
Administration of Electoral Act .. ..	43,702	31,260	41,019	39,465	21,874
Miscellaneous .. .. .	55,515	22,378	55,160	48,798	42,585
<b>Total</b> .. .. .	537,634	419,930	557,763	555,701	420,915

(a) Includes expenditure on cablegrams, &amp;c. transmitted by the Governor-General on behalf of the Commonwealth Government.

(b) Excludes balance of interest payable on States' Debts (recoverable from States).



Commonwealth Consolidated Revenue Fund—Disbursements—*continued.*

Departments, &c.	1926-27.	1927-28.	1928-29.	1929-30.	1930-31.
	£	£	£	£	£
<b>PRIME MINISTER—</b>					
Salaries, Contingencies, and Miscellaneous	238,033	164,755	153,373	160,409	240,803
Audit Office .. .. .	36,512	34,877	36,817	36,871	34,984
Rent, Repairs, &c. .. ..	7,201	30,202	19,539	14,453	6,982
Public Service Board's Office .. ..	52,628	55,946	54,864	52,351	49,877
High Commissioner's Office .. ..	63,220	80,820	66,133	63,684	56,777
Commissioner for Australia in U.S.A. ..	15,966	16,808	13,134	12,516	11,228
Interest and Sinking Fund .. ..	705,468	784,120	907,499	976,126	968,907
Mail Service, Pacific Islands .. ..	53,092	52,051	49,750	51,989	47,848
Secretariat, League of Nations .. ..	24,975	23,994	25,758	23,078	30,762
Scientific and Industrial Research .. ..	11,803	269,629	19,451	8,664	8,165
Pensions and Superannuation .. ..	5,038	6,072	5,434	6,178	5,398
Oil Agreement Act .. .. .	21,184	..	..	..	..
<b>Total .. .. .</b>	<b>1,235,120</b>	<b>1,519,274</b>	<b>1,351,752</b>	<b>1,411,824</b>	<b>1,461,731</b>
<b>HOME AFFAIRS—</b>					
Chief Office .. .. .	48,328	51,228	50,998	49,411	48,521
Census and Statistics .. .. .	27,620	29,170	30,697	31,217	29,593
Meteorological Office .. .. .	36,616	36,103	35,935	36,199	36,040
Interest and Sinking Fund .. .. .	2,980	3,190	3,179	3,157	3,031
Rent, Repairs, &c. .. .. .	12,293	16,579	24,436	19,844	7,930
Aid to Prospecting .. .. .	100,000	..	..	18,800	..
Geophysical Survey .. .. .	..	20,000	..	..	10,000
Miscellaneous .. .. .	103,631	72,648	30,469	23,144	23,149
<b>Total .. .. .</b>	<b>331,468</b>	<b>228,918</b>	<b>175,714</b>	<b>181,772</b>	<b>158,264</b>
<b>TERRITORIES—</b>					
<b>Internal—</b>					
Federal Capital Territory .. .. .	141,176	286,879	251,348	365,813	650,827
North and Central Australia .. .. .	150,646	132,758	145,380	138,925	149,152
<b>Total .. .. .</b>	<b>291,822</b>	<b>419,637</b>	<b>396,728</b>	<b>504,738</b>	<b>799,979</b>
<b>External—</b>					
Papua .. .. .	72,470	58,947	57,411	49,853	52,969
New Guinea .. .. .	11,785	13,490	13,346	12,911	8,054
Norfolk Island .. .. .	4,339	4,000	4,000	4,000	4,000
<b>Total .. .. .</b>	<b>88,594</b>	<b>76,437</b>	<b>74,757</b>	<b>66,764</b>	<b>65,023</b>
<b>Grand Total .. .. .</b>	<b>380,416</b>	<b>496,074</b>	<b>471,485</b>	<b>571,502</b>	<b>865,002</b>
<b>ATTORNEY-GENERAL—</b>					
Secretary's Office .. .. .	26,801	17,337	24,390	19,691	19,709
Crown Solicitor's Office .. .. .	24,465	28,626	29,392	27,983	27,144
Salaries of Justices of High Court .. ..	21,500	21,500	21,328	17,926	17,371
High Court Expenses .. .. .	14,994	13,511	15,218	15,441	15,609
Court of Conciliation and Arbitration ..	24,012	27,625	27,491	27,195	21,785
Rent, Repairs, &c. .. .. .	12,039	20,004	24,111	22,613	18,624
Patents, Trade Marks, &c. .. .. .	48,119	52,671	51,477	56,301	54,136
Bankruptcy .. .. .	..	3,102	20,941	24,909	32,586
Miscellaneous .. .. .	26,580	47,321	32,397	33,432	26,235
<b>Total .. .. .</b>	<b>198,510</b>	<b>231,697</b>	<b>246,745</b>	<b>245,491</b>	<b>233,199</b>
<b>WORKS—</b>					
Chief Office and Lands and Survey .. ..	32,752	24,809	26,363	24,686	78,327
Interest and Sinking Fund .. .. .	76,914	89,047	104,877	120,691	120,975
Miscellaneous .. .. .	13,274	9,034	8,899	9,487	6,937
<b>Total .. .. .</b>	<b>122,940</b>	<b>122,890</b>	<b>140,139</b>	<b>154,864</b>	<b>206,239</b>
<b>TREASURY—</b>					
Treasury .. .. .	52,585	53,418	54,548	52,869	51,775
Old-age Pensions—Salaries, &c. .. ..	114,446	117,071	83,891	86,940	91,278
Invalid and Old-age Pensions .. .. .	9,144,589	9,790,346	10,124,239	10,791,325	11,710,953
Rent, Repairs, &c. .. .. .	10,209	16,371	15,672	13,801	8,320
Coinage .. .. .	45,968	43,008	19,540	11,534	3,485
Taxation Office .. .. .	416,889	452,738	428,765	440,102	493,793
Maternity Allowance .. .. .	660,280	678,920	661,520	642,990	630,652
Miscellaneous .. .. .	58,465	94,477	114,127	333,693	(a) 766,519
<b>Total .. .. .</b>	<b>10,503,431</b>	<b>11,246,349</b>	<b>11,502,302</b>	<b>12,373,254</b>	<b>13,756,775</b>
<b>POSTMASTER-GENERAL—</b>					
Chief Office .. .. .	66,504	77,469	80,440	87,395	93,845
Posts, Telegraphs, and Telephones .. ..	9,115,787	9,811,847	9,831,131	9,847,327	9,381,512
Audit (proportion) .. .. .	10,359	11,149	11,593	12,150	12,930
Pensions and Retiring Allowances .. ..	185,992	195,604	223,151	246,127	267,302
Rent, Repairs, &c. .. .. .	137,096	151,109	127,855	129,145	68,989
Interest and Sinking Fund .. .. .	1,704,570	1,959,724	2,211,391	2,470,382	2,681,585
Miscellaneous .. .. .	65,591	186,074	195,164	232,334	488,707
<b>Total .. .. .</b>	<b>11,285,899</b>	<b>12,392,976</b>	<b>12,680,725</b>	<b>13,025,360</b>	<b>12,994,870</b>

(a) Includes Interest, £555,822, and Exchange, £147,737.

## Commonwealth Consolidated Revenue Fund—Disbursements—continued.

Departments, &c.	1926-27.	1927-28.	1928-29.	1929-30.	1930-31.
<b>TRADE AND CUSTOMS—</b>	£	£	£	£	£
Chief Office, including Analyst .. ..	60,423	69,029	70,814	73,855	67,708
Customs (Ordinary) .. ..	534,202	563,055	569,163	565,038	545,598
Pensions and Retiring Allowances .. ..	33,922	34,922	37,675	40,322	39,400
Audit (proportion) .. ..	12,487	10,045	9,421	2,323	10,332
Interest and Sinking Fund .. ..	24,981	34,312	34,356	34,405	33,288
Rent, Repairs, &c. .. ..	14,208	19,265	14,387	11,906	5,969
Bounties .. ..	781,346	890,574	532,564	517,582	446,344
Miscellaneous .. ..	5,957	14,756	10,730	13,923	9,384
Total .. ..	1,467,526	1,635,958	1,279,115	1,259,359	1,158,023
<b>DEFENCE—</b>					
Chief Office .. ..	27,109	24,182	25,821	23,483	22,809
Military and Munitions Supply .. ..	1,299,454	1,284,886	1,270,443	1,455,241	1,364,187
Audit (proportion) .. ..	7,052	6,272	6,686	9,647	6,302
Pensions and Retiring Allowances .. ..	13,568	16,551	20,353	23,899	37,336
Rent, Repairs, &c. .. ..	43,007	28,412	34,577	47,526	25,050
Miscellaneous .. ..	203,119	245,126	254,361	263,089	280,139
Total .. ..	1,593,309	1,605,429	1,612,241	1,822,885	1,735,823
<b>NAVY OFFICE—</b>					
Chief Office .. ..	82,366	83,623	83,257	80,537	66,788
Naval .. ..	2,003,639	1,930,861	1,808,247	1,946,418	1,610,590
Audit (proportion) .. ..	2,381	2,465	2,462	6,729	2,557
Pensions and Retiring Allowances .. ..	1,653	2,544	2,451	2,807	3,283
Rent, Repairs, &c. .. ..	40,865	40,591	43,720	37,166	24,624
Miscellaneous .. ..	81,813	92,133	94,306	100,876	126,931
Total .. ..	2,212,717	2,152,217	2,034,443	2,174,533	1,834,773
<b>AIR SERVICES—</b>					
Civil Branch—					
Pay, &c. .. ..	17,078	15,285	17,285	20,881	20,909
Development of Civil Aviation .. ..	57,965	49,985	50,990	75,332	108,787
R.A.A.F.—					
Pay, &c. .. ..	188,939	199,960	227,325	237,305	230,301
General Contingencies .. ..	80,000	74,273	79,346	82,913	69,518
General Stores and Maintenance .. ..	38,000	37,673	32,087	80,962	53,470
Rent, Repairs, &c. .. ..	11,105	14,176	13,764	16,036	15,802
Miscellaneous .. ..	41,718	36,821	37,036	41,703	48,385
Total .. ..	434,805	428,173	457,823	555,132	547,172
<b>HEALTH—</b>					
Central Administration, Salaries and Contingencies .. ..	18,488	23,769	22,791	19,216	27,498
Salaries and Contingencies, other .. ..	85,146	91,746	93,204	92,743	88,790
Rent, Repairs, &c. .. ..	22,553	23,914	21,126	17,537	8,917
Miscellaneous .. ..	82,947	(a) 234,908	153,991	145,737	96,092
Total .. ..	209,134	374,337	291,112	275,233	221,297
<b>MARKETS—</b>					
Salaries and Contingencies .. ..	58,758	66,398	67,042	74,090	70,965
Dried Fruits Export Control .. ..	30,791	27,623	42,753	46,152	38,779
Dairy Produce Export Control .. ..	20,664	21,294	22,374	22,898	24,309
Administration of Commerce Act .. ..	27,403	33,161	33,781	38,855	48,844
Assistance, Marketing Primary Produce .. ..			50,000	50,000	31,000
Miscellaneous .. ..	48,615	30,164	42,062	60,668	65,514
Total .. ..	186,231	178,640	258,012	292,663	279,411
<b>TRANSPORT—</b>					
Salaries and Contingencies, &c.—					
Administrative .. ..	74,352	72,070	69,318	46,495	22,535
Marine .. ..	275,311	230,225	270,950	263,901	237,103
Interest and Sinking Fund .. ..	215,298	236,878	346,443	406,174	391,042
Rent, Repairs, &c. .. ..	5,494	6,386	9,196	5,693	1,978
Miscellaneous .. ..	23,102	18,371	14,692	16,889	23,308
Total .. ..	593,557	663,930	710,599	739,152	675,966
<b>RAILWAYS—</b>					
Trans-Australian Railway .. ..	271,398	236,175	301,621	294,090	251,577
North Australian Railway .. ..	57,580	67,967	54,697	56,155	55,606
Central Australian Railway .. ..	130,122	165,306	198,213	198,108	157,076
Federal Capital Territory Railway .. ..	6,818	9,588	10,504	8,468	6,344
Interest .. ..	366,073	407,646	462,728	490,491	500,319
Sinking Fund .. ..	40,502	47,411	50,519	52,479	37,789
Miscellaneous .. ..	18,842	12,675	9,278	9,624	48,095
Total .. ..	891,335	996,768	1,087,560	1,109,405	1,056,806
<b>ALL OTHER EXPENDITURE—</b>					
New Works, &c. .. ..	224,807	229,626	274,730	245,536	74,445
Payments to States .. ..	8,262,912	9,085,789	9,036,638	9,489,344	11,112,615
Federal Aid Roads .. ..	2,000,000	2,000,000	2,000,000	2,000,000	2,000,000
Special Defence Provision .. ..	996,729	4,215,911	947,578		
Total .. ..	11,484,448	15,531,326	12,258,946	11,734,880	13,187,060
War Services .. ..	29,309,083	29,006,212	30,097,751	30,099,806	29,506,218
Grand Total (b) .. ..	73,008,785	79,258,464	77,253,774	78,614,393	80,324,539
Per Head of Population (c) .. ..	£11 19 0	£12 14 3	£12 3 10	£12 5 1	£12 8 2

(a) Includes purchase of radium, £100,000. (b) Excludes interest payable on States Debts, (recoverable from States). (c) Based on mean population of the financial year.

**SUMMARY OF COMMONWEALTH EXPENDITURE FROM REVENUE  
AND FROM LOAN FUNDS, 1926-27 to 1930-31.**

Heading.	1926-27.	1927-28.	1928-29.	1929-30.	1930-31.
	£	£	£	£	£
<b>EXPENDITURE FROM REVENUE—</b>					
Ordinary Services—					
Interest on Transferred Properties ..	33,211,983	38,938,837	35,794,655	36,729,707	37,600,261
Interest on Loans (a) ..					
Sinking Funds ..					
Other Ordinary Expenditure ..					
New Works, &c. ..	224,807	229,626	274,730	245,586	74,445
Payments to or for States—					
Surplus Revenue Act ..	7,672,119	—	..	..	..
Contribution towards—					
Interest on State Debts ..	..	7,584,912	7,584,912	7,584,912	7,584,912
Sinking Fund on State Debts ..	..	822,877	931,726	994,432	1,067,703
Special Grants to States ..	590,793	678,000	520,000	910,000	1,720,000
Federal Aid Roads ..	2,000,000	2,000,000	2,000,000	2,000,000	2,000,000
Unemployment Relief Grant ..	..	..	..	..	750,000
Assistance to Primary Production ..	..	..	50,000	50,000	31,000
<b>Total Ordinary Services ..</b>	<b>43,699,702</b>	<b>50,252,252</b>	<b>47,156,023</b>	<b>48,514,587</b>	<b>50,818,321</b>
<b>War Services—</b>					
Interest on Amount due to Imperial Government for Maintenance of Australian Troops ..	20,495,082	20,218,175	21,071,002	20,579,056	20,177,716
Interest on Loans ..					
Sinking Fund ..					
Pensions ..					
Repatriation ..	7,477,096	7,607,281	7,755,774	7,897,291	7,987,038
Other Services ..	1,014,848	875,534	978,335	1,044,000	1,055,795
	322,057	305,222	292,640	579,469	285,669
<b>Total War Services ..</b>	<b>29,309,083</b>	<b>29,006,212</b>	<b>30,097,751</b>	<b>30,099,806</b>	<b>29,506,218</b>
<b>Total Expenditure from Revenue (a)</b>	<b>73,008,785</b>	<b>79,258,464</b>	<b>77,253,774</b>	<b>78,614,393</b>	<b>80,324,539</b>
<b>EXPENDITURE FROM LOANS—</b>					
Ordinary Purposes—					
New Works, &c. (b) ..	9,404,632	8,662,089	8,244,119	5,204,202	1,991,026
War Purposes ..	23,938	Cr.23,741	Cr.12,972	Cr. 2,669	Cr.2,206
<b>Total Expenditure from Loans ..</b>	<b>9,428,570</b>	<b>8,638,348</b>	<b>8,231,147</b>	<b>5,291,533</b>	<b>1,988,820</b>
<b>Total Expenditure for Ordinary Services and Purposes ..</b>	<b>53,104,334</b>	<b>58,914,341</b>	<b>55,400,142</b>	<b>53,808,789</b>	<b>52,809,347</b>
<b>Total Expenditure for War Purposes</b>	<b>29,333,021</b>	<b>28,982,471</b>	<b>30,084,779</b>	<b>30,097,137</b>	<b>29,504,042</b>
<b>Total Commonwealth Expenditure (a)</b>	<b>82,437,355</b>	<b>87,896,812</b>	<b>85,484,921</b>	<b>83,905,926</b>	<b>82,313,359</b>

(a) Excluding balance of interest payable on State Debts (recoverable from States).

(b) Including War Service Homes.

**Commonwealth Works Expenditure from General Loan Fund,  
1926-27 to 1930-31, and Total.**

Particulars.	1926-27.	1927-28.	1928-29.	1929-30.	1930-31.	Total to 30th June, 1931.
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Immigration (a) .. ..	248,104	261,353	132,815	57,705	..	1,080,835
Shipbuilding Yards and Docks ..	..	..	..	..	..	733,711
Ship Construction .. ..	..	Cr. 163,216	Cr. 86,784	Cr. 165,000	Cr. 165,000	8,394,060
Subs. to Capital of Common- wealth Oil Refinery .. ..	..	..	..	..	..	343,751
F.C.T. Works, Services, and Acquisition of Land .. ..	1,071,753	998,507	555,000	248,654	263,077	7,350,494
Parliament House, Canberra ..	..	..	638,500	5,334	..	643,834
Drill Halls, Stores, Barracks, &c. .. ..	18,158	26,984	33,014	20,204	458	427,084
Rifles and Ammunition Reserve	..	..	..	..	..	315,300
Other Military Services .. ..	12,978	9,831	231	1,000	..	101,959
Naval Bases, Depots, &c. ..	127,016	62,303	36,907	93,230	6,220	1,466,556
Fleet Construction .. ..	..	..	..	..	..	355,397
Other Naval Services .. ..	24,000	..	..	..	..	71,800
Air Services—						
R.A.A.F. .. ..	140,364	103,227	40,530	32,740	8,766	473,010
Civil Aviation .. ..	5,516	3,916	..	..	13,596	53,773
Buildings and Works, Muni- cations Production .. ..	93,098	101,308	92,513	83,127	38,467	1,185,852
Other Munitions Supply Services	2	..	..	..	..	1,150
Lighthouses and Lighthouse Services .. ..	24,927	23,475	17,673	18,520	89,500	643,900
River Murray Waters Act .. ..	209,500	250,000	250,000	200,000	122,000	2,105,625
Telegraph and Telephone Con- struction .. ..	3,627,619	3,357,432	2,775,991	2,537,489	1,248,197	80,024,968
Post Office Buildings and Land	317,706	296,931	227,397	224,186	38,190	3,398,382
Wireless .. ..	50,462	50,564	482	10,037	1,727	356,608
Serum and Health Laboratories	4,785	4,753	10,082	3,748	..	75,220
Wire and Wire Netting .. ..	250,000	80,000	230,838	50,000	..	610,838
Railways—						
Trans-Australian .. ..	88,199	54,896	48,415	64,622	30,387	6,662,298
North Australian .. ..	398,764	425,875	79,091	20,097	910	1,597,559
Central Australian .. ..	399,885	731,388	747,894	170,911	30,185	2,477,853
Federal Capital Territory ..	20,500	4,424	3,291	365	175	28,755
Grafton-South Brisbane ..	1,000,000	1,202,000	675,000	586,000	68,000	4,371,000
Other Expenditure .. ..	..	..	..	..	..	200,000
War Service Homes .. ..	673,351	752,583	1,673,451	999,964	154,906	7,314,524
London Offices .. ..	..	..	..	..	..	880,190
Acquisition of Properties not elsewhere included .. ..	833	655	987	769	10,653	134,544
North Australia Commission ..	8,400	22,900	40,800	23,000	16,103	111,203
Miscellaneous .. ..	Cr. 11,288	..	20,000	7,500	14,500	432,371
<b>Total .. ..</b>	<b>9,404,632</b>	<b>8,662,089</b>	<b>8,244,118</b>	<b>5,294,202</b>	<b>1,991,026</b>	<b>85,023,904</b>

(a) Exclusive of Loans to States for Immigration Purposes.



**COMMONWEALTH PUBLIC DEBT, AND INTEREST PAYABLE  
AT 30th JUNE, 1931.**

NOTE.—Information at a later date is not yet available as the adjustments on account of the recent Conversion Loan have not yet been completed.

Debt on Account of—	Australia.	Overseas.	Total.
	£	£	£
Commonwealth—			
War .. .. .	187,035,845	90,744,381	277,780,226
Works and other Purposes (including Federal Capital Commission)	27,088,176	83,850,143	110,938,319
Total—Commonwealth Purposes ..	214,124,021	174,594,524	388,718,545
Per head of population ..	£32 18 9	£26 17 2	£59 15 11
States—			
Debts of the States (a) ..	342,777,185	424,540,388	767,317,573
Per head of population (b) ..	£52 16 9	£65 8 10	£118 5 7
Total Public Debt ..	556,901,206	599,134,912	1,156,036,118
Per head of population ..	£85 13 5	£92 3 4	£177 16 9

**INTEREST PAYABLE.**

	£	£	£
Commonwealth—			
War .. .. .	10,485,647	4,570,783	15,056,430
Works and other Purposes (including Federal Capital Commission)	1,324,706	4,052,670	5,377,376
Total—Commonwealth Purposes ..	11,810,353	8,623,453	20,433,806
Per head of population ..	£1 16 4	£1 6 7	£3 2 11
Average Rate % ..	£5 10 4	£4 18 9	£5 5 2
States—			
Debts of the States (a) ..	17,931,807	19,821,176	37,752,983
Per head of population (b) ..	£2 15 3	£3 1 1	£5 16 4
Average Rate % ..	£5 4 7	£4 13 5	£4 18 5
Grand Total .. .. .	29,742,160	28,444,629	58,186,789
Per head of population ..	£4 11 6	£4 7 6	£8 19 0
Average Rate % ..	£5 6 10	£4 14 11	£5 0 8

(a) Includes contributions payable by Commonwealth and British Governments towards interest on Migration Loans. (b) Based on estimated aggregate population of the six States at 30th June, 1931.

**AVERAGE VALUE OF AUSTRALIAN NOTES HELD BY THE BANKS  
AND BY THE PUBLIC, 1926 to 1931.**

Particulars.	Held by Banks.	Held by Public.	Total Note Issue.
	£	£	£
1927 (average during year) ..	22,749,054	25,230,779	47,979,833
1928 " " ..	19,769,049	25,620,844	45,389,893
1929 " " ..	18,199,104	25,162,705	43,361,809
1930 " " ..	21,322,892	23,446,192	44,769,084
1931 " " ..	24,939,874	25,221,885	50,161,759
—at 26th January ..	21,933,513	23,719,913	45,653,426
23rd February ..	22,558,715	23,094,711	45,653,426
30th March ..	23,666,769	23,486,657	47,153,426
27th April ..	23,964,016	24,189,410	48,153,426
25th May ..	25,863,261	24,790,165	50,653,426
29th June ..	25,302,258	25,351,168	50,653,426
27th July ..	25,955,783	25,197,643	51,153,426
31st August ..	26,054,331	26,099,095	52,153,426
28th September ..	25,896,236	26,157,190	52,053,426
26th October ..	26,220,120	25,833,306	52,053,426
30th November ..	25,666,772	26,136,654	51,803,426
28th December ..	26,196,718	28,606,708	54,803,426

## COMMONWEALTH NOTES OUTSTANDING AT UNDERMENTIONED DATES.

Denomination.	26th Dec., 1927.	31st Dec., 1928.	30th Dec., 1929.	29th Dec., 1930.	28th Dec., 1931.
	£	£	£	£	£
10s. . . . .	3,386,413	3,460,971	3,502,682	3,205,650	3,346,182
£1 . . . . .	19,091,628	19,228,235	18,741,684	16,628,766	17,504,914
£5 . . . . .	13,332,385	13,185,440	12,701,270	11,217,140	12,193,400
£10 . . . . .	4,305,520	4,195,830	3,996,940	4,146,970	6,052,830
£20 . . . . .	453,180	397,300	354,500	421,400	564,100
£50 . . . . .	1,165,600	1,059,350	1,015,650	1,183,700	1,841,000
£100 . . . . .	1,820,500	1,651,100	1,494,500	1,894,800	3,074,000
£1,000 . . . . .	8,238,000	5,471,000	3,454,000	9,455,000	10,227,000
Total {	Held by banks . .	20,470,322	20,614,308	18,146,074	22,733,734
	Held by public . .	31,322,904	28,043,918	27,115,152	26,196,718
	Total . . . . .	51,793,226	48,658,226	45,261,226	48,153,426
Gold reserve {	Total . . . . .	21,600,553	22,281,497	18,264,497	15,385,717
	Percentage of circulation	41.71	45.79	40.35	31.95
					19.16

## OLD-AGE AND INVALID PENSIONS AT 30th JUNE, 1931.

State.	Number of Pensioners at 30.6.31.			Number per 10,000 of Population.		Average Fortnightly Pension at 30.6.31.		Pensions paid during year.	
	Old-age.	Invalid.	Total Old-age and Invalid.	Old- age.	Inva- lid.	Old- age.	Inva- lid.	Amount.	Per head of Pop.
						s. d.	s. d.	£	s. d.
New South Wales . .	65,032	28,096	93,128	259	112	38 2	39 0	4,456,650	35 6
Victoria . . . . .	49,999	19,925	69,924	279	111	38 3	38 10	3,445,803	38 6
Queensland . . . . .	22,376	9,707	32,083	236	102	38 2	39 1	1,595,400	33 8
South Australia . . .	16,148	4,454	20,602	275	76	37 6	38 11	991,158	33 9
Western Australia . .	10,461	3,554	14,015	249	84	38 3	38 11	692,798	32 11
Tasmania . . . . .	8,161	2,607	10,768	370	118	37 8	38 11	529,144	48 0
Total . . . . .	172,177	68,343	240,520	266	106	38 1	39 0	11,710,953	36 2

## WAR PENSIONS AT 30th JUNE, 1931.

Place of Payment.	NUMBER OF PENSIONERS.				AVERAGE FORTNIGHTLY RATE OF PENSIONS.			
	Incapacitated Soldiers.	Dependents of Deceased Soldiers.	Dependents of Incapacitated Soldiers.	Total.	Incapacitated Soldiers.	Dependents of Deceased and Incapacitated Soldiers.	All Pensions.	
					£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	
New South Wales . .	25,355	9,971	54,792	90,118	2 0 9	0 15 5	1 2 7	
Victoria . . . . .	25,066	10,994	60,142	96,202	1 13 8	0 13 5	0 18 8	
Queensland . . . . .	8,195	3,486	17,681	29,362	1 16 8	0 16 9	1 2 4	
South Australia . . .	4,164	3,084	9,405	16,653	1 18 8	0 16 6	1 2 0	
Western Australia . .	7,507	2,922	17,634	28,063	1 17 6	0 14 7	1 0 9	
Tasmania . . . . .	3,044	1,263	8,424	12,731	2 2 6	0 14 4	1 1 0	
London . . . . .	1,667	3,674	3,868	9,209	2 6 9	1 3 4	1 7 7	
South Africa . . . .	57	31	80	168	1 15 6	0 19 1	1 4 7	
New Zealand . . . .	239	186	337	762	1 13 5	1 0 3	1 4 5	
Elsewhere . . . . .	22	6	26	54	1 4 9	0 16 5	0 19 9	
Total . . . . .	75,316	35,617	172,389	283,322	1 17 8	0 15 1	1 1 1	

## WAR PENSIONS EXPENDITURE, 1926-27 to 1930-31.

Place of Payment.	1926-27.	1927-28.	1928-29.	1929-30.	1930-31.
	£	£	£	£	£
New South Wales ..	2,596,130	2,663,625	2,701,384	2,736,473	2,736,872
Victoria ..	2,181,219	2,183,365	2,245,457	2,315,583	2,367,707
Queensland ..	810,368	825,011	839,007	860,607	877,044
South Australia ..	502,846	501,173	493,403	499,375	496,704
Western Australia ..	767,697	772,343	787,346	793,079	787,319
Tasmania ..	309,107	317,040	326,257	347,272	356,801
Elsewhere ..	391,192	428,333	342,067	367,087	373,733
Total ..	7,558,559	7,690,890	7,734,921	7,919,476	7,996,180

NOTE.—The annual liability for War Pensions at 30th June, 1931, was approximately £7,774,806. This estimate is subject to revision on account of the Commonwealth Government's decision to reduce pensions in accordance with the "Melbourne Conference" agreement.

## COMMONWEALTH MATERNITY ALLOWANCES.

## Number of Claims Passed for Payment.

NOTE.—The Maternity Allowance Act came into force on 10th October, 1912, and from that date until 30th June, 1931, the following claims, each for £5, were passed for payment :—

Year ended 30th June—	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W.A.	Tasmania.	N.T.	Total.
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
1927 ..	53,064	35,202	19,300	11,336	8,200	4,917	37	132,056
1928 ..	55,072	35,656	19,790	11,716	8,598	4,898	54	135,784
1929 ..	54,275	34,132	19,040	11,148	8,888	4,777	44	132,304
1930 ..	52,335	33,381	18,490	10,361	9,030	4,959	42	128,598
1931 ..	51,660	32,241	18,790	9,720	8,909	4,778	51	126,149
Total since 10.10.12..	987,815	649,756	364,862	215,758	155,373	101,143	768	2,475,475

## FEDERAL INCOME TAX, 1929-30.(a)

Grade of Taxable Income.	Number of Taxpayers.	Tax Assessed.	Amount per Taxpayer.	Percentage on Total Tax Assessed.
Individuals—		£	£ s. d.	%
Under £201 ..	145,736	195,520	1 6 10	1.8
£201 to £500 ..	59,962	409,770	6 16 8	3.7
£501 to £1,000 ..	29,422	547,924	18 2 6	4.9
£1,001 and over ..	30,296	6,352,538	209 14 4	57.3
Total ..	265,416	7,505,752	28 5 7	67.7
Companies ..	8,605	3,579,916	416 0 7	32.3
TOTAL ALL INCOMES ..	274,021	11,085,668	40 9 1	100.0

(a) Assessed on income for year 1928-29.

## COMMONWEALTH LAND TAX ASSESSMENTS, 1923-24 to 1927-28.

Heading.	Assessment year—				
	1923-24.	1924-25.	1925-26.	1926-27.	1927-28.
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
NUMBER OF TAXPAYERS—					
Resident Owners .. ..	16,906	18,324	19,355	21,293	23,748
Absentee Owners .. ..	3,162	3,195	3,111	3,126	2,986
TOTAL .. ..	20,068	21,519	22,466	24,419	26,734
UNIMPROVED VALUE OF LAND AS RETURNED BY OWNERS—	£	£	£	£	£
Resident .. ..	185,040,682	207,328,796	218,325,341	232,431,232	257,352,465
Absentee .. ..	2,572,221	2,554,456	2,425,132	2,856,869	2,456,978
TOTAL .. ..	187,612,903	209,883,252	220,750,473	235,288,101	259,809,443
UNIMPROVED VALUE AS ASCERTAINED BY DEPARTMENT—					
Resident .. ..	216,540,904	238,007,004	240,713,004	266,462,999	303,832,082
Absentee .. ..	2,919,668	2,978,754	2,632,589	3,204,459	2,815,560
TOTAL .. ..	219,460,572	240,985,758	243,345,593	269,667,458	306,647,642
TAX ASSESSED ON—					
Urban Land—Resident Owners ..	1,020,109	1,256,299	1,490,911	1,567,125	1,929,027
Absentee Owners ..	22,493	22,819	18,792	24,836	21,540
TOTAL .. ..	1,042,602	1,279,118	1,509,703	1,591,961	1,950,567
Rural Land—Resident Owners ..	987,073	978,581	976,567	973,092	913,262
Absentee Owners ..	12,199	10,945	8,402	12,126	7,045
TOTAL .. ..	999,272	989,526	984,969	985,218	920,307
All Land—Resident Owners ..	2,007,182	2,234,880	2,467,478	2,540,217	2,842,289
Absentee Owners ..	34,692	33,764	27,194	36,962	28,585
TOTAL .. ..	2,041,874	2,268,644	2,494,672	2,577,179	2,870,874
AREA OF RURAL LAND ASSESSED acs.	a62,973,820	a61,951,199	a61,600,671	a60,817,208	a63,505,376
ASSESSED TAX ON RURAL LAND per ac.	3.8083d.	3.8334d.	3.8375d.	3.8879d.	3.4780d.

(a) Exclusive of Crown Leaseholds.

## COMMONWEALTH LAND TAX, 1926-27 to 1930-31.

STATEMENT OF TAX ASSESSED AND RECEIVED TO 30TH JUNE, 1931.

Year ended 30th June—	Tax Assessed.	Fine Accrued.	Tax Received.	Fine Received.	Tax and Fine Outstanding.
	£	£	£	£	£
1927 ..	2,586,952	5,949	2,566,568	4,717	21,616
1928 ..	2,863,022	7,852	2,833,611	6,033	31,230
1929 ..	2,826,686	14,217	2,770,346	9,649	60,908
1930 ..	2,875,531	7,909	2,698,654	6,047	178,739
1931 ..	3,291,681	5,508	2,412,304	3,139	881,746
Total 1910-11 to 1930-31 ..	47,587,249	101,628	46,149,177	85,464	1,454,236



## (B.) STATE FINANCE.

## CONSOLIDATED REVENUE FUND OF STATES.

REVENUE, 1930-31 (c).

Sources of Revenue.	New South Wales. (a)	Victoria. (a)	Queens- land.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Total.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Taxation (c) ..	11,248,871	8,056,615	4,272,566	3,339,766	1,134,385	1,071,263	29,123,466
Railways and Tramways ..	118,264,212	9,816,353	6,426,965	2,604,455	3,425,220	406,212	40,943,417
Land ..	1,578,088	270,205	1,232,463	152,809	338,759	51,720	3,633,044
Commonwealth Pay- ments ..	2,917,411	2,127,159	1,096,235	1,873,816	773,432	516,859	9,304,912
All other Sources ..	6,912,290	5,296,172	2,044,423	2,754,965	3,014,960	563,236	20,586,046
Total Revenue ..	40,920,872	25,575,504	15,072,652	10,725,811	8,686,756	2,609,290	103,590,885
Total Revenue per head (b) ..	£ s. d. 16 7 6	£ s. d. 14 5 7	£ s. d. 15 17 2	£ s. d. 18 8 7	£ s. d. 20 13 1	£ s. d. 11 19 2	£ s. d. 16 0 9

Year ended 30th June—

## REVENUE, 1927 to 1931.

	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1927 ..	47,060,753	27,123,700	16,147,737	10,784,897	9,750,833	3,040,220	113,913,190
1928 ..	47,997,372	27,357,917	16,718,070	11,346,903	9,807,949	2,962,637	116,190,898
1929 ..	50,447,100	28,156,034	16,736,188	10,840,914	9,947,951	2,766,434	118,894,621
1930 ..	46,904,889	27,323,842	15,997,870	10,551,016	9,750,515	2,956,272	113,484,404
1931 (e) ..	40,920,872	25,575,504	15,072,652	10,725,811	8,686,756	2,609,290	103,590,885

(a) Includes certain moneys not paid into Consolidated Revenue Fund.

(b) Based on mean population of the fiscal year.

(c) For total taxation collections, see pages 51 and 52.

(d) Excludes £800,000 contributed from Consolidated Revenue on account of losses on Country Developmental Railways.

(e) Subject to revision.

## EXPENDITURE, 1930-31 (d).

Heads of Expenditure.	New South Wales. (b) (c)	Victoria. (b)	Queens- land.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Total.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Interest and Charges on Public Debt ..	15,645,153	9,076,379	6,162,054	5,582,886	3,961,593	1,254,894	41,682,959
Railways and Tram- ways (exclusive of Construction) ..	16,021,041	7,349,989	5,004,605	2,712,098	2,765,710	465,184	34,318,627
All other Expenditure ..	17,250,460	11,603,334	4,748,037	4,244,684	3,379,992	1,134,316	42,360,823
Total Expenditure	48,916,654	28,029,702	15,914,696	12,539,668	10,107,295	2,854,394	118,362,409
Total Expenditure per head (a) ..	£ s. d. 19 11 6	£ s. d. 15 13 0	£ s. d. 16 15 4	£ s. d. 21 10 11	£ s. d. 24 1 3	£ s. d. 13 1 8	£ s. d. 18 6 6

Year ended 30th June—

## EXPENDITURE, 1927 to 1931.

	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1927 ..	45,481,416	27,744,903	16,490,954	11,834,947	9,722,588	2,855,077	114,129,885
1928 ..	48,857,763	27,521,270	16,707,564	11,621,834	9,834,415	2,867,605	117,410,451
1929 ..	50,470,660	28,104,947	16,902,145	11,771,772	10,223,919	2,855,977	120,329,420
1930 ..	52,167,117	28,496,712	16,721,055	12,176,840	10,268,519	2,981,992	122,812,235
1931 ..	48,916,654	28,029,702	15,914,696	12,539,668	10,107,295	2,854,394	118,362,409

(a) Based on mean population of the fiscal year.

(b) Includes expenditure from Special Funds.

(c) Excludes contribution of £800,000 from Consolidated Revenue on account of losses on Country Developmental Railways.

(d) Subject to revision.

## NET STATE LOAN EXPENDITURE DURING THE YEAR 1930-31.

Heads of Expenditure.	N.S.W. (c)	Victoria. (c)	Queens- land.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tas- mania.	Total.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Railways and Tramways	2,306,747	455,293	434,350	Cr. 109,804	463,945	155,611	3,706,142
Water Supply, &c.	921,746	832,792	10,746	112,247	239,340	..	2,116,871
Harbours, Rivers, &c.	143,274	..	Cr. 1,384	8,063	133,706	..	283,659
Roads and Bridges	1,592,919	350,057	44,469	Cr. 16,446	..	85,616	2,056,615
Land Purchased for Settle- ment, and Advances	656,099	1,348,257	Cr. 64,143	460,986	576,053	345,671	3,322,923
Public Buildings	249,691	74,466	83,257	46,442	..	12,294	466,150
All other	81,012	986,863	220,022	Cr. 36,947	346,219	226,297	1,823,466
Total	5,951,488	4,047,728	b 727,317	464,541	1,759,263	825,489	13,775,826
Net Loan Expendi- ture per head (a)	£ s. d. 2 7 8	£ s. d. 2 5 2	s. d. 15 4	s. d. 16 0	£ s. d. 4 3 9	£ s. d. 3 15 8	£ s. d. 2 2 8
Revenue Deficit	..	..	..	2,826,098	..	..	2,826,098
Grand Total	5,951,488	4,047,728	727,317	3,290,639	1,759,263	825,489	16,601,924

(a) Based on mean population of financial year.

(b) Excludes £100,000 loan repayments transferred to Consolidated Revenue for Sinking Fund purposes and £1,074,945 expended from Trust Fund in previous years and charged to Loan Fund in 1930-31.

(c) Expenditure charged to Loan Fund.

## TOTAL STATE LOAN EXPENDITURE TO 30th JUNE, 1931.

Heads of Expenditure.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queens- land.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Total.
	£ (1,000)	£ (1,000)	£ (1,000)	£ (1,000)	£ (1,000)	£ (1,000)	£ (1,000)
Railways and Tram- ways	149,645	73,766	61,631	35,635	24,814	7,044	352,585
Water Supply, &c.	50,970	27,592	7,222	22,965	9,554	..	118,303
Harbours, Rivers, &c.	22,422	1,327	2,417	7,609	5,797	..	39,572
Roads and Bridges	14,933	11,618	2,289	3,186	1,976	6,771	40,773
Public Buildings	12,167	6,082	3,361	3,079	1,565	1,798	28,052
Land Purchased for Settlement, and Advances	10,644	40,856	4,058	12,832	22,459	3,380	94,229
All other	14,704	22,264	24,140	12,185	13,268	7,207	93,768
Total	275,485	183,505	105,118	97,541	79,433	26,200	767,282

(a) Includes Revenue Deficits.

(b) Includes Revenue Deficits and Deficits on Loans.

## NET STATE PUBLIC DEBT AT 30th JUNE, 1931.

Particulars.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queens- land.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Total.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Floated Abroad	178,186,868	67,919,034	71,154,706	45,167,053	48,243,143	13,869,584	424,540,388
Floated in Australia	109,644,688	98,039,650	41,551,483	54,927,394	29,117,742	9,496,228	342,777,185
Total Gross Debt	287,831,556	165,958,684	112,706,189	100,094,447	77,360,885	23,365,812	767,317,573
Sinking Funds	174,703	Dr. 3,922	777,443	28,804	1,265,703	19,985	2,262,716
Total Net Debt	287,656,853	165,962,606	111,928,746	100,065,643	76,095,182	23,345,827	765,054,857
Debt per head (a)—	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Gross	114 16 2	92 6 7	117 9 1	171 10 4	183 18 5	106 12 7	118 5 7
Net	114 14 9	92 6 8	116 12 11	171 9 4	180 18 3	106 10 9	117 18 7

(a) Based on population at 30th June, 1931.

## (C.) COMMONWEALTH AND STATE FINANCE.

## TAXATION.—COMMONWEALTH AND STATE, 1927 to 1931.

Year ended 30th June—	Taxation by Commonwealth Government.		Taxation by State Governments.	Total Taxation.
	Customs and Excise.	Other.		
	£	£	£	£
1927	43,552,478	15,442,331	29,471,032	88,465,841
1928	41,446,730	15,191,128	32,216,675	88,854,533
1929	41,058,571	15,244,918	32,487,847	88,791,336
1930	41,774,391	16,413,384	33,774,873	91,962,648
1931	28,295,073	(a) 22,125,033	36,172,073	86,592,179

(a) Includes Sales Tax, £3,472,854.

**TAXATION.—COMMONWEALTH AND STATE PER HEAD, 1927 to 1931.**

Year ended 30th June—	Taxation by Commonwealth Government.		Taxation by State Governments. (b)	Total Taxation.
	Customs and Excise (a).	Other (a).		
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.		
1927 .. ..	7 2 7	2 10 7	£ s. d. 4 16 8	£ s. d. 14 9 8
1928 .. ..	6 13 0	2 8 9	5 3 7	14 5 2
1929 .. ..	6 9 8	2 8 1	5 2 10	14 0 4
1930 .. ..	6 10 4	2 11 2	5 5 7	14 6 11
1931 .. ..	4 7 5	(c) 3 8 5	5 12 0	13 15 10

(a) Based on mean population of Commonwealth for each financial year.

(b) Based on aggregate population of the six States, mean of financial year.

(c) Inclusive of Sales Tax, 10s. 8d. per head.

**COMMONWEALTH AND STATES PUBLIC DEBT AND DEBT PER HEAD OF POPULATION, 30th JUNE, 1927 to 1931.**

Particulars.	Where Redeem-able.	At 30th June—				
		1927.	1928.	1929.	1930.	1931.
A. PUBLIC DEBT.						
Commonwealth— War Debt ..	Overseas	£ 95,572,848	£ 96,822,659	£ 93,810,641	£ 92,314,742	£ 90,744,381
	Australia	201,332,522	196,597,448	194,007,104	190,075,790	187,035,846
	Total ..	296,905,370	293,420,107	287,817,745	282,390,532	277,780,226
Works, &c. ..	Overseas	46,980,102	56,684,465	65,975,650	75,587,124	83,850,143
	Australia	22,726,033	22,679,517	23,828,177	14,979,706	27,088,176
	Total ..	69,706,135	79,363,982	89,803,827	90,566,830	110,938,319
Total ..	Overseas	142,552,950	153,507,124	159,786,291	167,901,866	174,594,524
	Australia	224,058,555	219,276,965	217,835,281	205,055,496	214,124,021
	Total ..	366,611,505	372,784,089	377,621,572	372,957,362	388,718,545
States ..	Overseas	373,360,219	416,660,672	412,496,612	405,726,668	424,540,388
	Australia	303,509,500	305,358,140	313,909,878	321,913,168	342,777,185
	Total ..	676,869,719	722,018,812	726,406,490	727,639,836	767,317,573
Grand Total— Commonwealth and State ..	Overseas	515,913,169	570,167,796	572,282,903	573,628,534	599,134,912
	Australia	527,568,055	524,635,105	531,745,159	526,968,664	556,901,206
	Grand Total	1,043,481,224	1,094,802,901	1,104,028,062	1,100,597,198	1,156,036,118

**B. PER HEAD OF POPULATION.**

Commonwealth—		£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
War Debt ..	Overseas	15 9 11	15 8 2	14 14 5	14 6 8	13 19 2
	Australia	32 12 11	31 5 8	30 8 9	29 10 2	28 15 5
	Total ..	48 2 10	46 13 10	45 3 2	43 16 10	42 14 7
Works, &c. ..	Overseas	7 12 4	9 0 5	10 7 0	11 14 9	12 18 0
	Australia	3 13 8	3 12 2	3 14 10	2 6 6	4 3 4
	Total ..	11 6 0	12 12 7	14 1 10	14 1 3	17 1 4
Total ..	Overseas	23 2 3	24 8 7	25 1 5	26 1 5	26 17 2
	Australia	36 6 7	34 17 10	34 3 7	31 16 8	32 18 9
	Total ..	59 8 10	59 6 5	59 5 0	57 18 1	59 15 11
States ..	Overseas	60 13 1	66 8 7	64 17 0	63 2 7	65 8 10
	Australia	49 6 1	48 13 9	49 7 0	50 1 9	52 16 9
	Total ..	109 19 2	115 2 4	114 4 0	113 4 4	118 5 7
Grand Total—						
Commonwealth						
and State ..	Overseas	83 13 0	90 14 7	89 15 11	89 1 2	92 3 4
	Australia	85 10 10	83 9 8	83 8 8	81 16 4	85 13 5
	Total ..	169 3 10	174 4 3	173 4 7	170 17 6	177 16 9

**COMMONWEALTH AND STATES PUBLIC DEBT—INTEREST PAYABLE AND  
AVERAGE RATES OF INTEREST AT 30th JUNE, 1927 to 1931.**

Particulars.	Where Payable.	At 30th June—				
		1927.	1928.	1929.	1930.	1931.
A. INTEREST PAYABLE.						
Commonwealth— War Debt ..	Overseas	£ 4,791,410	£ 4,854,202	£ 4,721,540	£ 4,647,992	£ 4,571,807
	Australia	10,542,922	10,567,548	10,454,458	10,235,359	10,485,647
	Total ..	15,334,332	15,421,750	15,175,998	14,883,351	15,056,954
Works, &c. ..	Overseas	2,354,361	2,827,593	3,296,946	3,779,506	4,052,670
	Australia	1,042,470	1,038,433	1,098,733	664,756	1,324,706
	Total ..	3,396,831	3,866,026	4,395,679	4,444,262	5,377,376
Total ..	Overseas	7,145,771	7,681,795	8,018,486	8,427,498	8,623,453
	Australia	11,585,392	11,605,981	11,553,191	10,900,115	11,810,353
	Total ..	18,731,163	19,287,776	19,571,677	19,327,613	20,433,806
States ..	Overseas	17,510,151	19,611,441	19,512,507	19,168,203	19,821,176
	Australia	15,853,382	15,954,987	16,415,301	16,869,633	17,931,807
	Total ..	33,363,533	35,566,428	35,927,808	36,037,836	37,752,983
Grand Total— Commonwealth and States ..	Overseas	24,655,922	27,293,236	27,530,993	27,595,701	28,444,629
	Australia	27,438,774	27,560,968	27,968,492	27,769,748	29,742,160
	Grand Total	52,094,696	54,854,204	55,499,485	55,365,449	58,186,789

**B. AVERAGE RATES OF INTEREST.**

Commonwealth— War Debt ..	Overseas	£ s. d. 5 0 3	£ s. d. 5 0 3	£ s. d. 5 0 8	£ s. d. 5 0 8	£ s. d. 5 0 9
	Australia	5 4 9	5 7 6	5 7 9	5 7 8	5 12 1
	Total ..	5 3 4	5 5 1	5 5 5	5 5 5	5 8 5
Works, &c. ..	Overseas	5 0 3	4 19 9	4 19 11	5 0 0	4 16 8
	Australia	4 11 9	4 11 7	4 12 3	4 8 11	4 17 10
	Total ..	4 17 6	4 17 5	4 17 11	4 18 2	4 16 11
Total ..	Overseas	5 0 3	5 0 1	5 0 5	5 0 4	4 18 9
	Australia	5 3 5	5 5 10	5 6 1	5 6 4	5 10 4
	Total ..	5 2 2	5 3 6	5 3 8	5 3 8	5 5 2
States ..	Overseas	4 13 10	4 14 1	4 14 7	4 14 6	4 13 5
	Australia	5 4 6	5 4 6	5 4 7	5 4 10	5 4 7
	Total ..	4 18 7	4 18 6	4 18 11	4 19 1	4 18 5
Grand Total— Commonwealth and States ..	Overseas	4 15 7	4 15 9	4 16 3	4 16 3	4 14 11
	Australia	5 4 0	5 5 1	5 5 2	5 5 5	5 6 10
	Grand Total	4 19 10	5 0 3	5 0 6	5 0 7	5 0 8

**(D.) BANKING.**

**CHEQUE-PAYING BANKS.**

**AVERAGE LIABILITIES IN AUSTRALIA, 1928 TO 1931.**

Quarter ended.	Notes in Circulation.	Bills in Circulation.	Balances due to other Banks.	Deposits.			Total Liabilities.
				Not bearing Interest.	Bearing Interest.	Total.(a)	
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
30.6.28 ..	200,326	3,327,576	14,905,684	126,580,188	232,973,934	359,554,122	378,487,708
30.6.29 ..	199,846	3,912,580	11,854,721	127,694,774	202,472,486	330,167,260	346,134,407
30.6.30 ..	199,337	3,108,000	19,876,790	103,968,060	206,596,266	310,564,326	333,748,453
30.6.31 ..	198,478	2,596,503	33,962,097	91,046,791	210,641,067	301,687,858	338,444,936
31.12.30 ..	198,968	3,345,374	22,868,362	96,012,063	208,950,686	304,962,749	331,375,453
31.12.31(b)	197,342	2,568,821	23,763,130	97,758,168	213,810,742	311,568,910	338,098,203

(a) Ordinary and Savings Bank deposits in the Commonwealth Bank included to 30th June, 1928, but Savings Bank business of the Commonwealth Bank is excluded thereafter.

(b) Subject to revision.



## CHEQUE-PAYING BANKS—AVERAGE ASSETS IN AUSTRALIA, 1928 TO 1931.

Quarter ended— (a)	Coin and Bullion.	Australian Notes and Cash with Commonwealth Bank.	Government and Municipal Securities.	Land and Other Property.	Balances due from other Banks.	Notes and Bills of other Banks.	Discounts, Overdrafts and all other assets.	Total Assets.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
30.6.28 ..	26,603,041	31,792,533	80,976,227	7,619,512	5,697,578	4,283,063	257,375,409	414,347,363
30.6.29 ..	26,502,264	27,324,737	38,087,650	7,877,681	5,199,714	2,138,439	282,552,905	389,683,390
30.6.30 ..	6,131,312	39,205,756	43,749,423	8,479,818	6,844,862	1,873,288	299,394,981	405,679,440
30.6.31 ..	2,600,455	55,395,457	62,651,713	9,030,286	5,237,403	1,372,995	276,584,784	412,873,093
31.12.30 ..	3,059,396	44,521,770	52,605,032	8,902,325	4,984,985	1,679,550	291,213,310	406,966,368
31.12.31(b)	2,820,563	46,646,633	65,109,819	9,263,765	7,136,366	1,357,964	266,393,125	398,728,235

(a) Includes statistics for the Commonwealth Bank, the Savings Bank business of which is excluded after 30th June, 1928.

(b) Subject to revision.

## SAVINGS BANKS, 1927 to 1931.(a)

Date.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tasmania.	Fed. Cap.	N. Terr.	Total.
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## AMOUNT ON DEPOSIT.

	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
30.6.27	78,146	65,353	22,453	23,601	9,694	5,079	206	48	204,580
30.6.28	81,628	68,827	23,325	24,942	10,645	5,523	234	64	215,188
30.6.29	85,728	72,707	24,076	25,228	11,609	5,812	279	47	225,486
30.6.30	82,465	69,367	23,901	24,012	11,729	5,699	238	49	217,510
30.6.31	69,811	63,243	22,354	21,422	10,867	5,366	269	43	193,375
31.7.31	69,506	62,945	22,255	21,245	10,768	5,399	275	43	192,436
31.8.31	70,373	62,670	22,167	21,054	10,484	5,478	277	44	192,547
30.9.31	71,448	62,602	22,412	20,957	10,366	5,472	280	44	193,581
31.10.31	72,208	62,836	22,577	20,916	10,297	5,452	282	43	194,611
30.11.31	72,831	63,070	22,705	20,904	10,238	5,416	286	43	195,493
31.12.31	72,358	62,863	22,645	20,837	10,118	5,370	283	41	194,515

## AVERAGE PER INHABITANT.(b)

30.6.27	..	32 19	3 37 17	1 25 2	1 41 6	10 25 3	7 24 8	0 27 5	3 11 5	6 33 3	5 3 5
30.6.28	..	33 13	9 39 6	10 25 11	8 43 3	5 26 12	8 26 4	10 29 6	1 15 4	4 34 4	10 4 10
30.6.29	..	34 16	3 41 2	8 25 19	5 43 10	10 28 3	11 27 6	11 33 10	3 11 6	10 35 7	7 7 7
30.6.30	..	33 3	8 38 18	0 25 7	4 41 7	2 28 0	4 26 8	10 32 10	9 10 5	0 33 15	7 7 7
30.6.31	..	27 16	11 35 3	8 23 5	11 36 14	2 25 16	9 24 9	9 31 16	6 9 5	11 29 14	11 11 11
31.7.31 (c)	..	27 14	6 35 0	4 23 3	10 36 8	1 25 12	0 24 12	9 32 9	7 9 5	11 29 12	1 1 1
31.8.31 (c)	..	28 1	5 34 17	4 23 2	0 36 1	6 24 18	6 25 0	0 32 13	11 9 7	9 29 12	5 5 5
30.9.31 (d)	..	28 8	8 34 15	10 23 5	9 35 17	8 24 12	0 24 18	5 32 18	4 9 11	11 29 14	6 6 6
31.10.31 (d)	..	28 14	8 34 18	5 23 9	2 35 16	3 24 8	8 24 16	8 33 4	2 9 6	10 29 17	8 8 8
30.11.31 (d)	..	28 19	8 35 1	1 23 11	10 35 15	10 24 5	11 24 13	4 33 14	2 9 9	5 30 0	4 4 4
31.12.31 (d)	..	28 15	11 34 18	9 23 10	7 35 13	7 24 0	3 24 9	2 33 6	9 9 1	0 29 17	4 4 4

(a) Includes Commonwealth Savings Bank.  
population at 30th June in the respective years.  
(d) Based on population at 30th September, 1931.

(b) Averages at end of financial years are based on  
(c) Based on population at 30th June, 1931.

## COMMONWEALTH SAVINGS BANK 1931-32.

Amount on deposit at—	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	F.C.T.	N.T.	Total.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
30.6.1931	14,492,937	6,104,264	22,354,325	1,951,151	2,788,373	1,519,418	219,935	43,258	49,473,661
31.7.1931	14,952,358	6,180,749	22,255,152	1,960,703	2,796,474	1,522,849	225,726	43,256	49,937,267
31.8.1931	15,666,666	6,237,858	22,167,164	1,965,357	2,862,198	1,515,083	227,566	43,696	50,685,588
30.9.1931	16,468,118	6,365,058	22,412,225	2,031,423	2,989,659	1,529,244	230,815	43,808	52,070,350
31.10.1931	17,121,064	6,518,778	22,576,589	2,049,840	3,038,942	1,528,037	232,385	42,653	53,108,288
30.11.1931	17,681,873	6,608,409	22,705,094	2,060,325	10,238,377	1,521,747	236,306	43,235	61,095,366
31.12.1931	72,358,482	6,653,064	22,645,103	2,049,837	10,117,870	1,511,381	283,233	41,323	115,660,293

## BANK CLEARING HOUSES.—AVERAGE WEEKLY VALUE OF BILLS, CHEQUES ETC., CLEARED, 1927 to 1931.

Weekly average.	Sydney.		Melbourne.		Brisbane.	Adelaide.	Perth.	Hobart.
	Averages of—		Averages of—					
	Total Clearings.	Clearings less Treasury Bills transactions. (a)	Total Clearings.	Clearings less Treasury Bills transactions. (a)				
	£000.	£000.	£000.	£000.	£000.	£000.	£000.	£000.
Year 1927 .. .. .	19,838	..	15,823	..	3,686	3,579	2,136	514
" 1928 .. .. .	19,812	..	14,623	..	3,768	3,147	2,157	543
" 1929—								
To 7th October .. .. .	..	..	15,824	..	..	..	..	..
8th Oct. to 31st Dec. ..	..	..	14,935	14,724	..	..	..	..
Year .. .. .	20,000	..	15,617	15,568	3,762	3,044	2,197	524
" 1930—								
To 13th October .. .. .	17,121	16,723	..	..	..	..	..	..
14th Oct. to 31st Dec. ..	16,545	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Year .. .. .	19,198	17,365	..	..	..	..	..	..
" 1931—								
1st to 26th Jan. .. .. .	18,189	15,184	11,410	10,364	2,519	1,738	1,375	415
27th Jan. to 23rd Feb. ..	19,075	15,991	14,083	12,927	2,766	2,294	1,848	344
24th Feb. to 30th Mar. ..	18,225	15,465	11,303	10,577	2,675	2,081	1,565	386
31st Mar. to 27th Apr. ..	18,155	14,704	12,814	11,029	2,605	1,987	1,284	398
28th Apr. to 25th May ..	16,311	12,861	12,712	10,435	2,810	1,962	1,335	432
26th May to 29th June ..	15,513	12,950	12,456	10,613	2,983	1,881	1,224	335
30th June to 27th July ..	14,464	11,013	13,507	10,963	2,933	1,737	1,249	344
28th July to 31st Aug. ..	13,416	10,598	13,274	9,791	2,569	1,463	1,179	269
1st to 28th Sept. .. .. .	11,970	11,539	8,999	8,638	2,787	1,712	1,180	305
29th Sept. to 26th Oct. ..	15,552	14,287	11,394	11,294	2,988	1,738	1,285	323
27th Oct. to 30th Nov. ..	19,179	12,494	16,005	12,452	2,789	1,801	1,311	308
1st Dec. to 28th Dec. ..	11,254	11,254	10,952	10,828	2,867	1,880	1,555	311
Average for Year .. .. .	16,000	13,096	12,515	10,866	2,776	1,857	1,368	346

(a) Average weekly clearings exclusive of transactions connected with the issue and redemption of Treasury Bills. These abnormal transactions have been in operation in Victoria since October, 1929, and in New South Wales since October, 1930.

## Section V.—Railways, Aircraft, and Motor Vehicles.

## A. Railways.

## RAILWAYS (GOVERNMENT AND PRIVATE) OPEN FOR TRAFFIC, 1926-27 TO 1930-31.

NOTE.—The mileage of private lines is shown in brackets.

Heading.	1926-27.	1927-28.	1928-29.	1929-30.	1930-31.
	Miles.	Miles.	Miles.	Miles.	Miles.
Government—					
Federal .. .. .	1,733	1,733	1,970	2,145	2,145
New South Wales .. ..	5,750 (331)	5,867 (142)	5,940 (142)	5,974 (116)	6,044
Victoria .. .. .	4,634 (71)	4,697 (25)	4,699 (25)	4,713 (25)	4,717
Queensland .. .. .	6,302 (1,410)	6,845 (274)	6,447 (274)	6,447 (279)	6,529
South Australia .. ..	2,528 (56)	2,527 (34)	2,542 (34)	2,536 (34)	2,529
Western Australia .. ..	3,913 (872)	3,977 (277)	4,079 (277)	4,111 (277)	4,180
Tasmania .. .. .	658 (404)	658 (183)	653 (173)	679 (141)	665
Total .. .. .	25,523 (3,144)	25,804 (935)	26,330 (925)	26,605 (672)	26,809
Private—					
For general traffic .. ..	968	935	925	872	(a)
" special " .. .. .	2,176	(a)	(a)	(a)	(a)
Grand Total .. .. .	28,667	(a)	(a)	(a)	(a)

(a) Not available.

## GOVERNMENT RAILWAYS—1926-27 TO 1930-31.

## CAPITAL COST OF CONSTRUCTION AND EQUIPMENT.

State.	1926-27.	1927-28.	1928-29.	1929-30.	1930-31.
	£	£	£	£	£
Federal (e) ..	c12,302,795	c12,438,895	c14,134,213	c15,370,369	c15,436,199
New South Wales (e) ..	111,226,149	116,221,374	122,566,422	124,555,236	130,802,362
Victoria (a) (e) ..	70,298,673	72,282,201	73,061,522	74,193,518	74,302,935
Queensland ..	54,496,012	56,281,445	58,251,561	58,727,528	59,497,495
South Australia (b) ..	28,120,046	26,021,454	26,835,717	27,272,316	27,255,643
Western Australia ..	20,855,604	21,403,256	22,427,112	22,846,871	23,329,093
Tasmania ..	6,486,109	6,483,281	6,494,003	6,534,186	6,549,965
Total ..	303,785,388	311,131,906	323,770,550	329,500,024	337,173,692

(a) Exclusive of 11.67 miles from Mount Gambler to Victorian border.

(b) Exclusive of 12.53 miles from Murrayville to South Australian border.

(c) Excludes cost of rolling-stock, Federal Capital Territory line.

(d) Exclusive of Grafton-South Brisbane line.

(e) Exclusive of Stores Advance Account.

## AVERAGE MILES WORKED.

Government.	1926-27.	1927-28.	1928-29.	1929-30.	1930-31.
Federal ..	1,733	1,733	1,888	2,124	2,145
New South Wales ..	5,747	5,826	5,903	5,959	6,013
Victoria ..	4,627	4,661	4,698	4,708	4,710
Queensland ..	6,259	6,340	6,387	6,447	6,509
South Australia ..	2,523	2,528	2,545	2,538	2,535
Western Australia ..	3,906	3,971	3,993	4,110	4,123
Tasmania ..	658	658	654	660	665
Total ..	25,453	25,717	26,068	26,546	26,700

## TRAFFIC TRAIN MILES RUN (a)—'000 OMITTED.

Federal ..	832	966	1,005	746	651
New South Wales ..	26,326	26,896	27,382	26,714	25,628
Victoria ..	18,031	17,695	17,979	17,671	15,945
Queensland ..	11,906	11,655	11,893	11,859	10,883
South Australia ..	6,960	6,503	5,765	5,551	4,992
Western Australia ..	5,274	5,730	5,830	5,730	5,403
Tasmania ..	1,303	1,417	1,406	1,504	1,251
Total ..	70,632	70,862	71,260	69,775	64,753

(a) Exclusive of "Assistant" and "Light" mileages.

## GROSS EARNINGS—£'000 OMITTED.

Federal ..	499	600	569	404	309
New South Wales ..	18,907	19,029	19,616	17,827	16,006
Victoria ..	13,652	12,821	13,165	12,002	10,008
Queensland ..	7,325	7,382	7,569	7,302	6,477
South Australia ..	4,062	3,941	3,593	3,277	2,586
Western Australia ..	3,608	3,858	3,800	3,659	3,199
Tasmania ..	539	555	504	507	400
Total ..	48,592	48,186	48,816	44,978	38,985

## GOVERNMENT RAILWAYS—1926-27 TO 1930-31—continued.

Government.	1926-27.	1927-28.	1928-29.	1929-30.	1930-31.
WORKING EXPENSES—£'000 OMITTED.					
Federal .. .. .	472	537	564	554	459
New South Wales .. .. .	13,796	14,756	14,978	14,963	12,900
Victoria .. .. .	10,193	9,813	9,530	9,119	7,500
Queensland .. .. .	6,495	6,106	6,203	5,946	5,075
South Australia .. .. .	5,798 <sup>a</sup>	3,661	3,622	3,670	2,734
Western Australia .. .. .	2,686	2,911	3,056	3,113	2,611
Tasmania .. .. .	551	574	564	535	449
Total .. .. .	39,991	38,358	38,517	37,900	31,728

(a) Includes accumulated and deferred charges £1,962,070.

## NET EARNINGS—£'000 OMITTED.

Federal .. .. .	27	63	5	-150	-150
New South Wales .. .. .	5,111	4,273	4,638	2,864	3,106
Victoria .. .. .	3,459	3,008	3,635	2,883	2,508
Queensland .. .. .	830	1,275	1,366	1,356	1,402
South Australia .. .. .	-1,736	281	-29	-393	-148
Western Australia .. .. .	922	947	744	546	588
Tasmania .. .. .	-12	-19	-60	-28	-49
Total .. .. .	8,601	9,828	10,299	7,078	7,257

Minus sign (-) denotes loss.

## PERCENTAGE OF NET EARNINGS ON CAPITAL COST.

Federal .. .. .	%	%	%	%	%
New South Wales .. .. .	0.22	0.50	0.04	-0.98	-0.97
Victoria .. .. .	4.59	3.68	3.78	2.30	2.37
Queensland .. .. .	4.92	4.16	4.97	3.89	3.38
South Australia .. .. .	1.52	2.27	2.34	2.31	2.36
Western Australia .. .. .	-6.17	1.08	-0.11	-1.44	-0.54
Tasmania .. .. .	4.42	4.43	3.32	2.39	2.52
Total .. .. .	-0.18	-0.29	-0.92	-0.43	-0.74
Total .. .. .	2.83	3.16	3.18	2.15	2.15

Minus sign (-) denotes loss.

## GOVERNMENT RAILWAYS.

## PARTICULARS FOR QUARTER ENDED 30TH SEPTEMBER, 1930.

Particulars.	Federal.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Total.
Miles open .. .. .	2,145	6,014	4,713	6,534	2,536	4,111	604	26,717
aRevenue—								
aCoaching (Passengers, Parcels, Mails, &c.) £	44	1,806	1,148	601	168	199	32	3,998
aGoods, including Live Stock and Minerals £	39	2,180	1,115	1,298	456	502	65	5,655
aMiscellaneous £	19	(d)	215	25	40	42	3	344
aTotal Revenue £	102	3,986	2,478	1,924	664	743	100	9,997
aExpenditure £	118	3,266	2,010	1,441	689	723	126	8,373
aTrain miles run ..	187	6,361	4,128	3,021	1,333	1,236	329	16,645
Earnings per train mile	10s. 11d.	12s. 7d.	12s. 0d.	12s. 9d.	10s. 0d.	11s. 7d.	6s. 1d.	12s. 0d.
Expenditure per train mile ..	12s. 7d.	10s. 3d.	9s. 9d.	9s. 7d.	10s. 4d.	11s. 3d.	7s. 8d.	10s. 0d.
Earnings per cent. on								
aPassenger Journeys, No.	115.64	81.95	81.10	74.90	103.84	97.34	125.37	83.76
aCoal and Coke carried, tons ..	25	33,186	36,191	5,799	3,852	3,198	498	82,749
aOther Minerals carried, tons ..	1	1,334	90	146	34	128	62	1,795
aLive stock carried, tons ..	10	180	114	100	23	26	6	459
aOther Goods carried ..	10	1,032	1,203	976	265	514	76	4,076
aTotal Freight carried ..	21	2,954	1,407	1,306	498	778	144	7,108

(a) ,000 omitted.

(b) Included with Coal and Coke.

(c) Included with other Goods.

(d) Included with Coaching and Goods.



## GOVERNMENT RAILWAYS—continued.

## PARTICULARS FOR QUARTER ENDED 30TH SEPTEMBER, 1931.

Particulars.	Federal.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Total.
Miles open .. ..	2,145	6,048	4,717	6,469	2,529	4,180	664	26,752
aRevenue—								
aCoaching (Passengers, Parcels, Mails, &c.) £	30	1,411	950	500	150	157	26	3,224
aGoods, including Live Stock and Minerals £	37	2,137	1,064	1,266	392	448	57	5,401
aMiscellaneous £	13	169	187	(d)	33	36	3	441
aTotal Revenue £	80	3,717	2,201	1,766	575	641	86	9,066
aExpenditure £	94	3,058	1,468	1,138	521	545	99	6,923
aTrain miles run ..	143	6,458	3,757	2,968	1,174	1,210	291	16,001
Earnings per train mile	11s. 2d.	11s. 6d.	11s. 9d.	11s. 11d.	9s. 9d.	10s. 7d.	5s. 11d.	11s. 4d.
Expenditure per train mile .. ..	13s. 2d.	9s. 6d.	7s. 10d.	7s. 8d.	8s. 11d.	9s. 0d.	6s. 10d.	8s. 8d.
Expenditure per cent. on Earnings .. ..	118.01	82.29	66.69	64.46	90.68	85.09	115.04	76.38
aPassenger Journeys, No.	20	29,826	31,843	5,275	3,693	2,643	404	73,704
aCoal and Coke carried, tons .. ..	1	1,128	58	141	28	119	43	1,518
aOther Minerals carried, tons .. ..		185	(c)	93	102	56	(b)	436
aLive stock carried, tons .. ..	8	181	130	92	27	20	5	463
aOther Goods carried ..	10	1,000	1,145	999	294	458	71	3,977
aTotal Freight carried ..	19	2,494	1,333	1,325	451	653	119	6,394

(a) ,000 omitted.

(b) Included with Coal and Coke.

(c) Included with Other Goods.

(d) Included with Coaching and Goods.

## B.—Civil Aircraft.(c)

## PARTICULARS FOR QUARTER ENDED 30th SEPTEMBER, 1927 to 1931.

Particulars.	Year ended 30th June—				
	1927.	1928.	1929.	1930.	1931 (b).
Registered Aircraft owners					
(a) .. ..	No. 29	37	104	113	134
Registered Aircraft (a) ..	No. 84	90	186	228	204
Licensed Pilots—(a)					
Private .. ..	No. 48	127	246	371	419
Commercial .. ..	No. 47	76	145	193	195
Licensed Ground Engineers (a) ..	No. 148	163	196	267	290
Aerodromes—(a)					
Government .. ..	No. 45	46	58	57	56
Public .. ..	No. 11	13	30	45	71
Government Emergencies ..	No. 91	94	108	117	123
Flights carried out .. ..	10,637	21,069	26,665	20,697	23,478
Hours flown .. ..	3,576h. 12m.	5,771h. 4m.	8,767h. 39m.	11,753h. 46m.	7,062h. 19m.
Approximate mileage .. Miles	260,234	430,458	662,174	946,693	641,601
Passengers carried—					
Paying .. ..	No. 9,224	12,320	20,383	22,829	13,956
Non-paying .. ..	No. 1,224	2,111	2,069	3,552	3,394
Total .. ..	No. 10,448	14,431	22,452	26,381	17,350
Goods, weight carried .. lb.	27,011	50,654	37,843	53,768	62,421
Mails, Letters carried .. No.	(d) 85,017	(d) 85,414	(d) 97,468	(e) 15,128	(e) 7,605
Accidents—					
Persons killed .. ..	No. 1	1	4	5	3
Persons injured .. ..	No. 2	2	3	4	4

(a) At 30th June for years prior to 1929.  
Guinea figures not included.(b) Subject to revision.  
(d) By Subsidized Companies only.(c) Australia only. New  
(e) Weight in lbs., all contractors.

## C. Motor Vehicles.

## PARTICULARS FOR YEARS 1929-30 AND 1930-31.

State.	Registrations.			Drivers' and Riders' Licences Issued.	Revenue derived from—		
	Motor Cars, &c.	Motor Cycles.	Total.		Vehicle Registration and Motor Tax.	Drivers' Riders' etc., Licences.	Total.
1929-30.							
	No.	No.	No.	No.	£	£	£
New South Wales ..	216,784	29,410	246,194	346,415	1,613,803	179,441	1,793,244
Victoria ..	154,482	25,405	179,887	230,853	1,128,037	57,711	1,185,748
Queensland ..	82,787	8,778	91,515	63,879	484,651	26,059	510,710
South Australia ..	58,332	8,616	66,948	94,381	579,097	43,170	(a) 622,267
Western Australia ..	42,488	7,707	50,195	62,917	298,387	15,913	314,300
Tasmania ..	14,781	4,814	19,545	22,510	82,190	6,574	88,764
North Australia ..	406	44	450	542	64	127	191
Central Australia ..	99	..	99	108	60	27	87
Federal Capital Territory	1,358	123	1,481	1,847	8,621	967	9,588
Total ..	571,417	84,897	656,314	823,452	4,194,910	329,989	4,524,899

(a) Gross Revenue.

## 1930-31.

New South Wales ..	197,550	25,453	223,003	329,676	1,439,387	166,113	1,605,500
Victoria ..	144,596	23,635	168,231	223,051	1,048,995	57,016	1,106,011
Queensland ..	82,287	8,544	90,831	63,227	476,946	25,537	502,483
South Australia ..	48,073	8,152	56,225	106,053	419,488	49,797	(a) 469,285
Western Australia ..	38,621	6,777	45,398	(b) 28,637	270,046	16,094	286,140
Tasmania ..	14,189	4,289	18,478	20,465	85,670	9,090	94,760
North Australia ..	397	31	428	586	412	279	691
Central Australia ..	115	1	116	140	115	70	185
Federal Capital Territory	1,311	84	1,395	1,676	6,667	911	7,578
Total ..	527,139	76,966	604,105	677,851	3,747,726	324,907	4,072,633

(a) Gross Revenue.

## Section VI.—Labour and Industrial Statistics.

## TRADE UNIONS.

Number of Trade Unions, Branch Unions and Membership, at end of Years  
1926 to 1930.

Year.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	Total.	Australia. (a) (b).
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## NUMBER OF SEPARATE UNIONS.

1926	..	191	157	109	108	121	79	3	768	a372
1927	..	186	149	104	106	130	81	3	759	a369
1928	..	(c)197	151	102	106	128	80	4	768	a379
1929	..	(c)195	151	106	105	129	81	4	771	a374
1930	..	(c)203	151	107	106	127	82	4	780	a362

## NUMBER OF BRANCHES.

1926	..	602	384	234	90	153	51	..	1,564	51,960
1927	..	593	408	307	104	168	61	..	1,641	52,081
1928	..	(c)596	415	311	104	190	74	..	1,690	52,079
1929	..	(c)593	410	315	173	189	72	..	1,757	52,154
1930	..	(c)593	410	319	173	190	71	..	1,761	52,179

## NUMBER OF MEMBERS.

1926	..	329,260	230,539	142,985	79,908	62,616	15,783	387	851,478	851,478
1927	..	355,127	247,618	150,651	79,771	60,586	16,734	1,165	911,652	911,652
1928	..	c 357,890	242,190	154,799	75,725	61,498	18,465	1,474	911,541	911,541
1929	..	c 354,430	240,809	154,627	69,479	63,619	17,215	989	901,168	901,168
1930	..	c 343,134	229,322	141,925	63,318	60,243	16,831	984	855,767	855,767

(a) Allowing for Inter-State duplication. The figures represent the number of distinct organizations and Inter-State groups of organizations in Australia. They do not represent the total number of organizations which are practically independent and self-governing. (b) Includes not only branches of separate State unions and sub-branches in each State of Inter-State unions, but also head State branches of Inter-State unions. (c) Includes 13 unions in the Federal Capital Territory with a membership of 1,042 in 1930.

Unemployment—Australia.—Number and Membership of Unions Reporting, and  
Number and Percentage Unemployed, (a) 1927 to 1931 (4th Quarter).

Particulars.					Unions.	Membership.	UNEMPLOYED.	
							Number.	Percentage.
1927	Year	..	..	..	375	445,985	31,032	7.0
1928	"	..	..	..	375	423,422	45,669	10.8
1929	"	..	..	..	382	424,093	47,359	11.1
1930	"	..	..	..	395	433,874	84,767	19.3
1931	"	..	..	..	397	430,004	117,866	27.4
1928,	4th Quarter (a)	..	..	..	379	423,970	42,637	9.9
1929,	1st	..	..	..	375	420,756	39,159	9.3
	2nd	..	..	..	376	409,503	40,996	10.0
	3rd	..	..	..	388	433,388	52,480	12.1
	4th	..	..	..	390	432,727	56,301	13.1
1930,	1st	..	..	..	392	432,464	63,144	14.6
	2nd	..	..	..	394	435,239	80,595	18.5
	3rd	..	..	..	396	439,971	90,379	20.6
	4th	..	..	..	399	447,622	104,951	23.4
1931,	1st	..	..	..	397	440,234	113,614	25.8
	2nd	..	..	..	397	429,687	118,424	27.6
	3rd	..	..	..	396	426,603	120,694	28.3
	4th	..	..	..	396	423,493	118,732	28.0

(a) The quarterly figures show the number of persons who were out of work for three days or more during a specified week in each quarter; they do not include persons out of work through strikes or lockouts. The annual figures represent the average of the four quarters.

**Unemployment (a)—Percentages in Industrial Groups—Australia, Quarterly,  
1929 to 1931. (4th Quarter.)**

Industrial Group.	1929.	1930.		1931.			
	1st Qtr.	3rd Qtr.	4th Qtr.	1st Qtr.	2nd Qtr.	3rd Qtr.	4th Qtr.
<b>Manufacturing—</b>							
I. Wood, Furniture, &c. . .	6.5	21.3	29.4	31.1	33.3	34.0	34.8
II. Engineering, Metal Works, &c. . .	11.2	21.9	25.2	27.7	30.2	31.2	31.2
III. Food, Drink, Tobacco, &c. . .	5.4	15.4	16.8	17.4	20.7	20.5	20.8
IV. Clothing, Hats, Boots, &c. . .	9.8	21.0	22.5	25.9	26.7	27.4	23.7
V. Books, Printing, &c. . .	2.6	8.4	10.1	12.6	14.4	15.0	15.0
VI. Other Manufacturing . .	13.8	32.8	38.7	42.8	44.3	45.0	42.5
VII. Building . .	10.6	25.7	27.9	30.4	32.6	33.5	36.0
VIII. Mining, Quarrying, &c. . .	13.2	20.8	28.8	32.4	32.7	33.7	33.5
X. Land Transport other than Railway and Tramway services . .	7.6	16.7	18.5	21.9	24.0	25.5	25.2
XI, XII, XIII, and XIV., Other and Miscellaneous . .	7.3	16.9	17.7	19.8	19.9	20.5	20.2
<b>All Groups . .</b>	<b>9.3</b>	<b>20.5</b>	<b>23.4</b>	<b>25.8</b>	<b>27.6</b>	<b>28.3</b>	<b>28.0</b>

(a) Not including persons out of work through strikes or lockouts.

**Percentage of Members of Trade Unions returned as Unemployed (a) in each State  
at the end of Year 1912, and Quarterly, 1929 to 1931. (4th Quarter.)**

State.	1912, end of Year.	1929.	1930.				1931.			
		4th Qtr.	2nd Qtr.	3rd Qtr.	4th Qtr.	1st Qtr.	2nd Qtr.	3rd Qtr.	4th Qtr.	
		%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	
New South Wales ..	5.0	13.8	21.0	23.3	26.3	29.2	30.7	31.6	31.5	
Victoria ..	6.7	13.5	17.6	19.4	21.9	24.4	26.5	26.8	25.6	
Queensland ..	4.6	7.4	10.1	11.6	12.5	14.1	16.1	16.9	17.5	
South Australia ..	5.1	17.8	21.4	24.7	23.5	30.0	32.4	33.3	33.7	
Western Australia ..	5.8	11.8	18.7	18.4	24.6	26.1	27.1	27.9	28.1	
Tasmania ..	3.4	15.1	18.9	23.4	26.5	26.6	27.3	27.3	28.4	
Total ..	5.6	13.1	18.5	20.5	23.4	25.8	27.6	28.3	28.0	

(a) Not including persons out of work through strikes or lockouts.



**Industrial Disputes.—Number and Magnitude of Industrial Disputes (causing stoppage of work), 1930 and 1931 (3rd Quarter).**

Period.	Num-ber.	Estab-lish-ments In-volved.	Workpeople Involved.			Working Days Lost—All Disputes.			Esti-mated Loss in Wages. £
			Di-rectly.	Indi-rectly.	Total.	New Dis-putes.	Old Dis-putes.	Total.	
NEW SOUTH WALES.									
Year 1930 ..	156	384	46,418	2,151	48,569	..	..	1,443,366	1,516,296
4th Quarter, 1930	38	77	10,937	268	11,205	64,977	39,776	104,753	102,395
1st Quarter, 1931	29	68	6,151	127	6,278	12,843	33,505	46,348	48,247
2nd Quarter, 1931	18	18	6,078	135	6,213	14,718	8,978	23,696	24,572
3rd Quarter, 1931	19	19	5,529	1,025	6,554	44,438	7,772	52,210	50,444
VICTORIA.									
Year 1930 ..	5	5	385	23	408	..	..	7,744	7,228
4th Quarter, 1930	2	2	65	23	88	88	..	88	108
1st Quarter, 1931	3	9	513	284	797	8,404	..	8,404	6,120
2nd Quarter, 1931	3	73	721	7	728	6,220	..	6,220	5,615
3rd Quarter, 1931	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
QUEENSLAND.									
Year 1930 ..	10	31	1,561	70	1,631	..	..	9,881	11,059
4th Quarter, 1930	3	23	432	50	482	6,112	..	6,112	6,765
1st Quarter, 1931	..	..	..	..	..	..	12,300	12,300	13,840
2nd Quarter, 1931	4	4	525	250	775	1,403	..	1,403	1,402
3rd Quarter, 1931	6	330	2,078	299	2,377	17,612	..	17,612	15,750
SOUTH AUSTRALIA.									
Year 1930 ..	7	246	2,870	6	2,876	..	..	22,778	22,987
4th Quarter, 1930	2	201	311	6	317	1,121	..	1,121	904
1st Quarter, 1931	..	..	..	..	..	..	442	442	426
2nd Quarter, 1931	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
3rd Quarter, 1931	2	2	85	..	85	85	..	85	69
WESTERN AUSTRALIA.									
Year 1930 ..	2	26	468	..	468	..	..	27,072	34,378
4th Quarter, 1930	1	1	18	..	18	72	14,850	14,922	18,954
1st Quarter, 1931	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
2nd Quarter, 1931	3	3	720	..	720	1,480	..	1,480	1,494
3rd Quarter, 1931	4	7	2,227	..	2,227	10,656	3,600	14,256	7,839
TASMANIA.									
Year 1930 ..	3	3	270	..	270	..	..	400	394
4th Quarter, 1930	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
1st Quarter, 1931	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
2nd Quarter, 1931	1	1	35	6	41	2,419	..	2,419	2,545
3rd Quarter, 1931	1	1	120	..	120	120	2,870	2,990	2,733
AUSTRALIA.									
Year 1930 ..	183	695	51,972	2,250	54,222	..	..	1,511,241	1,592,342
4th Quarter, 1930	46	304	11,763	347	12,110	72,370	54,626	126,996	129,126
1st Quarter, 1931	32	77	6,664	411	7,075	21,247	46,247	67,494	68,633
2nd Quarter, 1931	29	99	8,079	398	8,477	26,240	8,978	35,218	35,628
3rd Quarter, 1931	33	360	10,144	1,324	11,468	73,121	14,242	87,363	76,950

(a) Includes one dispute in Northern Territory, workpeople involved, 105, working days lost, 210, estimated loss in wages, £115.

**Wages.—Adult Males—Weighted Average Nominal Weekly and Hourly Rates payable and Weekly Hours of Labour, 30th September, 1931.**

Industrial Groups.	Particulars. <sup>a</sup>	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Aus- tralia.
I. Wood, Furniture, &c...	Weekly Wage	93/10	82/4	92/2	78/4	86/2	84/7	87/11
	Working Hours	46.26	47.97	44.03	48.00	46.58	47.90	46.62
	Hourly Wage	2/0½	1/8½	2/1	1/7½	1/10½	1/9½	1/10½
II. Engineering, Metal Works, &c.	Weekly Wage	96/8	81/5	89/7	78/10	96/7	83/5	88/8
	Working Hours	44.51	46.71	44.00	46.63	44.80	45.64	45.46
	Hourly Wage	2/2	1/9	2/0½	1/8½	2/1½	1/10	1/11½
III. Food, Drink, &c. ..	Weekly Wage	96/3	84/8	88/0	87/6	92/2	87/0	90/2
	Working Hours	45.40	46.93	44.80	46.36	45.80	47.94	45.90
	Hourly Wage	2/1½	1/9½	1/11½	1/10½	2/0½	1/9½	1/11½
IV. Clothing, Boots, &c...	Weekly Wage	85/5	83/1	84/3	84/3	98/0	77/11	84/6
	Working Hours	45.71	45.17	44.00	44.00	44.00	46.29	45.16
	Hourly Wage	1/10½	1/10	1/11	1/11	2/2½	1/8½	1/10½
V. Books, Printing, &c...	Weekly Wage	113/2	100/8	101/4	89/10	125/5	91/7	105/7
	Working Hours	43.38	43.63	44.00	43.66	42.52	43.35	43.51
	Hourly Wage	2/7½	2/3½	2/3½	2/0½	2/11½	2/1½	2/5
VI. Other Manufacturing ..	Weekly Wage	93/0	82/5	85/10	84/5	91/4	85/5	87/7
	Working Hours	45.53	47.21	45.16	47.25	46.03	47.03	46.31
	Hourly Wage	2/0½	1/9	1/10½	1/9½	1/11½	1/9½	1/10½
VII. Building .. ..	Weekly Wage	109/5	93/11	103/4	91/11	101/2	90/1	101/2
	Working Hours	45.09	44.33	44.00	44.44	44.13	44.59	44.61
	Hourly Wage	2/5	2/1½	2/4½	2/0½	2/3½	2/0½	2/3½
VIII. Mining <sup>b</sup> .. ..	Weekly Wage	106/10	99/10	112/5	e	101/9	91/1	103/6
	Working Hours	43.20	45.12	43.47	..	43.65	45.25	43.81
	Hourly Wage	2/5½	2/2½	2/7	..	2/4	2/0½	2/4½
IX. Rail and Tram Services	Weekly Wage	97/2	81/2	86/3	75/6	82/1	80/11	87/6
	Working Hours	44.00	47.59	47.26	48.00	44.10	48.00	45.95
	Hourly Wage	2/2½	1/8½	1/10	1/7	1/10½	1/8½	1/10½
X. Other Land Transport	Weekly Wage	96/10	74/3	86/3	73/9	90/11	73/1	85/7
	Working Hours	44.29	47.73	47.67	48.00	46.50	48.00	46.30
	Hourly Wage	2/2½	1/6½	1/9½	1/6½	1/11½	1/6½	1/10½
XI. Shipping, &c. ..	Weekly Wage <sup>c</sup>	85/1	83/4	82/10	84/8	84/7	83/9	84/1
	Working Hours	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
	Hourly Wage	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
XII. Pastoral, Agricultural, &c.	Weekly Wage <sup>d</sup>	86/1	79/1	84/7	79/3	82/11	80/1	83/0
	Working Hours	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
	Hourly Wage	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
XIII. Domestic, Hotels, &c.	Weekly Wage <sup>d</sup>	92/1	86/0	78/7	82/5	87/2	65/9	86/8
	Working Hours	45.71	47.95	47.80	48.00	48.00	48.00	47.05
	Hourly Wage	2/0½	1/9½	1/7½	1/8½	1/9½	1/4½	1/10
XIV. Miscellaneous ..	Weekly Wage	92/0	82/6	85/6	79/5	85/9	76/1	86/2
	Working Hours	44.62	47.74	45.22	47.84	47.23	48.56	46.25
	Hourly Wage	2/0½	1/8½	1/10½	1/8	1/9½	1/6½	1/10½
All Groups .. ..	Weekly Wage	94/6	84/1	89/6	81/0	90/4	81/10	88/11
All Groups excepting XI. and XII.	Weekly Wage	97/1	85/3	91/7	81/3	92/4	82/6	90/8
	Working Hours	44.67	46.83	44.95	46.83	45.55	47.06	45.68
	Hourly Wage	2/2	1/9½	2/0½	1/8½	2/0½	1/9	1/11½

(a) Particulars relate to the *weighted average* weekly wage, working hours, and hourly wage respectively. (b) Average rates of wage and hours prevailing at the principal mining centres in each State. (c) Average rates of wage are for occupations other than Masters, Officers, and Engineers in the Merchant Marine Service and include value of victualling and accommodation. (d) Including the estimated value of board and lodging, where supplied. (e) Mining industry dormant owing to reduced price of industrial metals.

**Wages.—Adult Females—Weighted Average Nominal Weekly and Hourly Rates payable, and Weekly Hours of Labour, 30th September, 1931.**

Industrial Groups.	Particulars.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Aus- tralia.
III. Food, Drink, &c. ..	Weekly Wage	46/2	46/5	40/5	38/1	42/2	40/8	45/3
	Working Hours	45.60	47.33	44.67	48.00	44.00	48.00	46.45
	Hourly Wage	1/0½	0/11½	0/10½	0/9½	0/11½	0/10½	0/11½
IV. Clothing, Boots, &c. ..	Weekly Wage	47/1	44/10	45/4	45/11	51/6	43/10	45/11
	Working Hours	44.86	44.86	44.00	44.00	44.00	45.33	44.68
	Hourly Wage	1/0½	1/0	1/0½	1/0½	1/2	0/11½	1/0½
I., II., V., & VI. All other Manufacturing	Weekly Wage	47/5	47/11	44/4	44/1	..	48/7	47/3
	Working Hours	44.48	45.73	44.14	46.17	..	44.00	45.15
	Hourly Wage	1/0½	1/0½	1/0	0/11½	..	1/1½	1/0½
XIII. Domestic, Hotels, &c. ..	Weekly Wage	52/2	53/2	48/3	45/3	60/7	50/6	52/1
	Working Hours	46.77	46.15	46.00	48.00	47.20	48.00	46.64
	Hourly Wage	1/1½	1/1½	1/0½	0/11½	1/3½	1/0½	1/1½
XIV. Shop Assistants, Clerks, &c.	Weekly Wage	54/10	47/2	54/6	40/0	..	..	50/6
	Working Hours	44.00	46.00	44.00	48.00	..	..	45.14
	Hourly Wage	1/3	1/0½	1/2½	0/11	..	..	1/1½
All Groups ..	Weekly Wage	49/11	46/9	47/11	43/11	55/10	45/11	48/1
	Working Hours	45.04	45.44	44.55	46.03	45.57	46.07	45.26
	Hourly Wage	1/1½	1/0½	1/1	0/11½	1/2½	1/0	1/0½

(a) Including the estimated value of board and lodging, where supplied.

**Wages.—Weighted Average Nominal Weekly Rates payable for a Full Week's Work, and Wage Index-numbers, 31st December, 1914, to 30th September, 1931.**

Dates.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Aus- tralia.
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**ADULT MALES—RATES OF WAGE.**

	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
31st December, 1914 ..	56 2	54 7	53 5	54 5	62 10	52 8	55 7
31st December, 1921 ..	95 10	93 7	96 8	89 5	95 0	91 8	94 6
31st December, 1929 ..	102 11	101 1	101 2	97 2	100 7	94 8	101 2
30th June, 1930 ..	102 3	99 11	100 0	95 10	100 3	94 1	100 3
31st December, 1930 ..	99 1	96 11	92 5	92 8	99 7	92 1	96 9
31st March, 1931 ..	96 6	92 2	92 1	85 6	91 9	87 6	93 0
30th June, 1931 ..	95 1	86 7	92 0	82 4	91 2	84 0	90 5
30th September, 1931 ..	94 6	84 1	89 6	81 0	90 4	81 10	88 11

**ADULT MALES—INDEX-NUMBERS.—(BASE—51s. 3d. IN 1911 = 1000.)**

	1,096	1,065	1,042	1,062	1,226	1,028	1,085
31st December, 1914 ..	1,096	1,065	1,042	1,062	1,226	1,028	1,085
31st December, 1921 ..	1,869	1,826	1,886	1,745	1,853	1,788	1,844
31st December, 1929 ..	2,007	1,972	1,975	1,896	1,963	1,848	1,974
30th June, 1930 ..	1,995	1,949	1,952	1,870	1,956	1,836	1,956
31st December, 1930 ..	1,933	1,891	1,893	1,807	1,943	1,797	1,887
31st March, 1931 ..	1,882	1,798	1,797	1,668	1,789	1,708	1,814
30th June, 1931 ..	1,855	1,689	1,795	1,607	1,779	1,640	1,764
30th September, 1931 ..	1,843	1,641	1,746	1,580	1,769	1,597	1,735

**ADULT FEMALES—RATES OF WAGE.**

	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
31st December, 1914 ..	26 10	27 9	27 1	24 1	37 4	25 10	27 6
31st December, 1921 ..	49 0	47 10	50 3	45 2	56 4	47 6	48 8
31st December, 1929 ..	53 11	54 1	54 10	51 4	58 10	53 9	54 1
30th June, 1930 ..	54 0	54 3	55 1	51 6	58 10	53 11	54 2
31st December, 1930 ..	53 8	53 9	52 11	51 2	60 1	53 8	53 7
31st March, 1931 ..	51 3	50 2	49 7	46 1	55 10	50 6	50 6
30th June, 1931 ..	51 0	48 10	49 7	45 9	55 10	49 1	49 8
30th September, 1931 ..	49 11	46 9	47 11	43 11	55 10	45 11	48 11

**ADULT FEMALES—INDEX-NUMBERS.—(BASE—27s. 2d. AT APRIL, 1914 = 1000.)**

	987	1,022	996	885	1,373	950	1,008
31st December, 1914 ..	987	1,022	996	885	1,373	950	1,008
31st December, 1921 ..	1,803	1,761	1,849	1,661	2,074	1,749	1,790
31st December, 1929 ..	1,983	1,990	2,020	1,888	2,165	1,978	1,990
30th June, 1930 ..	1,986	1,996	2,027	1,895	2,165	1,985	1,994
31st December, 1930 ..	1,974	1,968	1,947	1,884	2,211	1,976	1,971
31st March, 1931 ..	1,886	1,847	1,826	1,695	2,055	1,859	1,854
30th June, 1931 ..	1,876	1,796	1,825	1,685	2,055	1,808	1,828
30th September, 1931 ..	1,838	1,720	1,765	1,616	2,055	1,690	1,771

## Basic Weekly Wage Rates fixed by State Industrial Tribunals.

State.	Basic Wage.		Date of Operation.	Family Unit (for Male Rate).
	Males.	Females.		
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.		
New South Wales ..	(a) 4 2 6	2 4 6	20.12.29	Man, wife and child
Victoria ..	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)
Queensland ..	3 14 0	1 19 0	1.7.31	Man, wife, and three children
South Australia ..	(d) 3 3 0	(e) 1 11 6	..	" "
Western Australia ..	(f) 3 13 6	1 19 8	5.11.31	(c)
Tasmania ..	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)

(a) Plus child allowances.

(b) None declared, but follow Federal rates to large extent.

(c) Although the family unit is not specifically defined in the legislation of this State, the tribunal appointed to determine the basic wage has adopted the unit of man, wife and two children.

(d) Judgment dated 17th August, 1931.

(e) Judgment dated 4th December, 1931.

(f) Basic wage for country districts, excepting the S.W. Land Division—males, £3 17s.; females, £2 1s. 8d.; S.W. Land Division (5th November, 1931)—males, £3 14s. 6d.; females, £2 0s. 8d. Under the provisions of the "Financial Emergency Act," the Court of Arbitration may, on the application of any employer, reduce the basic wage rate to 71s. 4d. per week (82 per cent. of 87s. per week, the basic wage rate in 1929-30).

## Basic Weekly Wage Rates fixed by Commonwealth Court of Conciliation and Arbitration for each Capital City as at 1st February, 1932.

Capital.	Index Numbers— Food, Groceries, and Rent (all Houses). 4th Quarter, 1931.	"Harvester" Equivalent Plus "Powers" 3s."	Weekly Rate after 10 per cent. Reduction.
		s. d.	s. d.
Sydney ..	1530	76 6	68 10
Melbourne ..	1405	70 6	63 5
Brisbane ..	1289	65 0	58 6
Adelaide ..	1280	64 6	58 1
Perth ..	1339	67 6	60 9
Hobart ..	1433	72 0	64 10
Weighted Average— Six Capitals ..	1425	71 6	64 4

## Awards of Industrial Courts and Wages Board Determinations Made and Industrial Agreements Filed—1926 to 1930.

State.	1926.		1927.		1928.		1929.		1930.	
	Awards or Determina- tions made.	Agreements filed.	Awards or Determina- tions made.	Agreements filed.	Awards or Determina- tions made.	Agreements filed.	Awards or Determina- tions made.	Agreements filed.	Awards or Determina- tions made.	Agreements filed.
New South Wales ..	151	51	163	33	93	36	55	27	31	16
Victoria ..	106	..	74	..	73	..	46	..	83	..
Queensland ..	90	27	56	18	34	27	21	16	14	44
South Australia ..	14	7	15	4	14	4	13	9	17	1
Western Australia ..	10	37	6	57	19	28	15	29	8	38
Tasmania ..	7	2	4	..	10	3	4	2	10	1
Commonwealth Court ..	50	30	34	25	40	30	29	26	17	10
Commonwealth Public Service Arbitrator ..	10	..	1	..	6	..	4	..	5	..
Total ..	438	154	353	137	289	128	187	109	185	110



## Section VII.—Retail Price Index-Numbers—Food, Groceries, Housing, etc.

Note.—Commencing with the first quarter of the Year 1925 the basis of computation for housing accommodation was altered. Previously, the weighted average rent of all houses had been taken for the rent constituent. In the tables on the following pages (excepting p. 71) the weighted average rent of 4 and 5 roomed houses only has been taken. The index numbers in the table on page 71 prepared for the use of the Commonwealth Court of Conciliation and Arbitration include the weighted average rental of all houses with base of table—Six Capital Cities in 1911 = 1000. With the exception of this table retail price index numbers, since January, 1930, have been computed to a new base, viz.—Six Capital Cities—1923-1927 = 1000.

### Retail Price Index-Numbers.(a)—Capital Cities, 1911 to 1931.

Base in each Section :—Weighted Average of Six Capital Cities during five-yearly period—1923-1927=1,000.

NOTE.—The index-numbers given in the separate parts of the table cannot be compared with each other in order to show the relative cost of (say) housing, and food and groceries, since the weighted average cost for the six cities taken together in 1923-1927 in each group or combination is made equal to 1,000.

CITY.	1911.	1921.	1928.	1929.	1930.	1931.
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### GROUPS I., II., AND III. COMBINED—FOOD AND GROCERIES.

Sydney .. ..	553	1,062	1,021	1,090	984	876
Melbourne .. ..	523	1,063	942	1,004	913	791
Brisbane .. ..	569	1,014	935	951	844	778
Adelaide .. ..	570	1,066	993	1,055	937	789
Perth .. ..	753	1,116	1,053	1,084	961	836
Hobart .. ..	592	1,133	966	1,025	952	816
Weighted Average ..	559	1,064	985	1,044	941	826

### GROUP IV.—HOUSING—WEIGHTED AVERAGE 4 AND 5 ROOMS.

Sydney .. ..	701	989	1,143	1,162	1,197	1,026
Melbourne .. ..	569	820	1,087	1,094	1,011	867
Brisbane .. ..	373	630	839	841	775	680
Adelaide .. ..	706	809	1,022	986	916	755
Perth .. ..	524	739	941	955	979	881
Hobart .. ..	452	881	939	932	914	901
Weighted Average ..	612	862	1,066	1,073	1,047	901

### ALL GROUPS COMBINED.—FOOD, GROCERIES, AND HOUSING (4 AND 5 ROOMS).

Sydney .. ..	606	1,036	1,064	1,115	1,059	929
Melbourne .. ..	539	977	993	1,036	948	818
Brisbane .. ..	500	877	901	912	819	743
Adelaide .. ..	618	975	1,003	1,030	929	777
Perth .. ..	672	982	1,013	1,038	968	852
Hobart .. ..	542	1,044	956	992	939	846
Weighted Average ..	578	992	1,014	1,054	978	852

(a) As the price index-number increases the purchasing-power of money diminishes.

Retail Price Index-Numbers (c) (Food, Groceries, and Housing, 4 and 5 rooms) for each of Thirty Towns, 1911, 1921, and 1927 to 1931 (4th Quarter), with Weighted Average for the Six Capital Cities during the five-yearly period 1923-1927 as Base = 1,000.

Particulars.	1911.	1921.	1927.	1928.	1929.	1930.	1931.			
	Whole Year.	Whole Year.	Whole Year.	Whole Year.	Whole Year.	Whole Year.	1st Qr. (Jan. to March.)	2nd Qr. (April to June.)	3rd Qr. (July to Sept.)	4th Qr. (Oct. to Dec.)
<b>NEW SOUTH WALES—</b>										
Sydney .. ..	606	1,036	1,060	1,064	1,115	1,059	973	948	912	884
Newcastle .. ..	..	1,013	1,038	1,043	1,068	998	924	900	860	825
Broken Hill .. ..	..	966	1,023	1,027	1,078	1,021	948	930	884	840
Goulburn .. ..	..	1,006	1,068	1,087	1,146	1,050	929	906	862	831
Bathurst .. ..	..	891	950	952	987	969	911	896	863	807
(a)Weighted Average .. ..	..	1,029	1,056	1,061	1,110	1,052	967	943	906	877
<b>VICTORIA—</b>										
Melbourne .. ..	539	977	996	993	1,036	948	860	822	795	794
Ballarat .. ..	..	859	862	862	914	861	778	746	732	727
Bendigo .. ..	..	861	918	904	962	884	801	766	745	744
Geelong .. ..	..	929	976	962	985	900	820	792	778	783
Warrnambool .. ..	..	932	894	894	940	909	839	804	802	813
(a)Weighted Average .. ..	..	959	986	983	1,026	940	853	816	790	790
<b>QUEENSLAND—</b>										
Brisbane .. ..	500	877	902	901	912	819	760	753	730	730
Toowoomba .. ..	..	812	852	833	855	804	739	715	704	704
Rockhampton .. ..	..	829	896	858	877	832	791	770	748	753
Charters Towers .. ..	..	865	935	942	975	879	824	824	791	779
Warwick .. ..	..	851	890	841	867	803	759	745	736	739
(a)Weighted Average .. ..	..	864	898	892	906	821	764	754	732	732
<b>SOUTH AUSTRALIA—</b>										
Adelaide .. ..	618	975	999	1,003	1,030	929	825	792	746	744
Kadina, Moonta, Wallaroo .. ..	..	889	871	854	891	810	737	723	673	680
Port Pirie .. ..	..	922	940	925	963	911	836	803	762	759
Mount Gambier .. ..	..	854	836	838	866	804	720	707	698	703
Peterborough .. ..	..	906	995	990	1,042	961	849	824	784	787
(a)Weighted Average .. ..	..	957	989	992	1,020	922	820	789	743	742
<b>WESTERN AUSTRALIA—</b>										
Perth, &c. .. ..	672	982	975	1,013	1,038	968	894	877	827	808
Kalgoorlie and Boulder .. ..	..	1,001	933	949	1,010	941	864	872	880	882
Northam .. ..	..	949	1,026	1,038	1,072	992	897	881	855	853
Bunbury .. ..	..	959	968	967	996	968	875	870	832	806
Geraldton .. ..	..	1,004	1,019	1,047	1,090	1,058	975	973	957	933
(a)Weighted Average .. ..	..	984	973	1,007	1,036	967	892	879	836	820
<b>TASMANIA—</b>										
Hobart .. ..	542	1,044	988	956	992	939	882	860	821	822
Launceston .. ..	..	936	916	912	937	891	829	808	786	777
Burnie .. ..	..	890	929	926	972	904	813	798	783	793
Devonport .. ..	..	751	913	880	930	880	832	795	765	774
Queenstown .. ..	..	918	864	860	920	890	848	810	797	805
(a)Weighted Average .. ..	..	983	957	935	970	919	861	838	806	805
Weighted Average for 30 towns .. ..	..	977	1,002	1,004	1,044	970	887	860	827	814
Weighted Average 6 Capital Cities .. ..	578	992	1,011	1,014	1,054	978	893	866	832	819
(b)Canberra (F.C.T.) .. ..	..	..	..	..	1,433	1,365	1,316	1,128	1,016	1,008
(b)Townsville (Q.) .. ..	..	1,039	1,080	1,047	1,048	962	904	898	879	880

(a) Weighted Average for the five towns.

(b) Not included in above weighted averages.

(c) As the price index-number increases the purchasing-power of money diminishes.

**RETAIL PRICES :** Amount necessary on the Average in the periods specified from 1911 to 1931 (4th Quarter) to purchase in each Capital City what would have cost on the Average \$1 during the five-yearly period 1923-1927 in the Australian Capitals regarded as a whole.

Year.	Sydney.	Melbourne.	Brisbane.	Adelaide.	Perth.	Hobart.	Weighted Average of six Capital Cities.
FOOD AND GROCERIES (46 COMMODITIES).							
1911 .. ..	s. d. 11 1	s. d. 10 6	s. d. 11 5	s. d. 11 5	s. d. 15 1	s. d. 11 10	s. d. 11 2
1922 .. ..	19 0	18 5	18 0	19 3	19 10	20 1	18 10
1923 .. ..	20 4	20 2	18 11	20 5	20 5	20 10	20 2
1924 .. ..	19 5	18 10	18 11	20 0	21 2	20 8	19 5
1925 .. ..	20 0	19 7	19 5	20 7	21 8	20 3	20 0
1926 .. ..	20 11	19 10	20 0	20 11	20 10	20 11	20 5
1927 .. ..	20 8	19 5	18 10	20 7	20 1	20 0	20 0
1928 .. ..	20 5	18 10	18 8	19 10	21 1	19 4	19 8
1929 .. ..	21 10	20 1	19 0	21 1	21 8	20 6	20 11
1930 .. ..	19 8	18 3	16 11	18 9	19 3	19 1	18 10
1931 .. ..	17 6	15 10	15 7	15 9	16 9	16 4	16 6
1930—1st Quarter ..	20 5	18 10	18 0	19 11	20 4	19 8	19 7
2nd " ..	20 3	18 9	17 2	19 8	20 3	19 8	19 5
3rd " ..	19 6	18 4	16 8	18 3	19 0	19 1	18 8
4th " ..	18 6	17 1	15 8	17 1	17 4	17 9	17 6
1931—1st " ..	18 0	16 8	16 0	16 8	17 7	17 3	17 2
2nd " ..	17 9	15 10	15 9	16 2	17 4	16 6	16 9
3rd " ..	17 2	15 4	15 2	15 1	16 1	15 8	16 1
4th " ..	17 3	15 4	15 4	15 2	15 10	15 10	16 1

#### HOUSING ACCOMMODATION (WEIGHTED AVERAGE—4 AND 5 ROOMS).

1911 .. ..	s. d. 14 0	s. d. 11 5	s. d. 7 6	s. d. 14 1	s. d. 10 6	s. d. 9 0	s. d. 12 3
1922 .. ..	20 6	17 9	13 10	16 10	15 4	16 7	18 2
1923 .. ..	21 3	18 9	14 1	17 9	15 10	18 5	19 0
1924 .. ..	22 5	19 3	14 2	18 10	16 0	19 6	19 9
1925 .. ..	22 11	19 7	14 3	19 3	16 5	20 2	20 2
1926 .. ..	22 4	20 9	16 4	18 6	18 0	19 11	20 6
1927 .. ..	22 2	20 11	16 8	18 10	18 5	19 4	20 7
1928 .. ..	22 10	21 9	16 9	20 5	18 10	18 9	21 4
1929 .. ..	23 3	21 11	16 10	19 9	19 1	18 8	21 6
1930 .. ..	23 11	20 3	15 6	18 4	19 7	18 3	20 11
1931 .. ..	20 6	17 4	13 7	15 1	17 7	18 0	18 0
1930—1st Quarter ..	24 11	21 0	16 7	19 5	20 0	18 6	21 10
2nd " ..	24 3	20 10	15 8	18 11	19 10	18 3	21 4
3rd " ..	23 6	20 1	15 1	18 2	19 10	18 3	20 8
4th " ..	23 1	19 0	14 7	16 10	18 7	18 3	19 11
1931—1st " ..	22 2	18 1	13 10	16 2	18 6	18 4	19 1
2nd " ..	21 2	17 6	13 9	15 2	18 0	18 6	18 4
3rd " ..	20 3	16 11	13 7	14 8	17 4	17 9	17 8
4th " ..	18 7	16 10	13 2	14 5	16 8	17 7	16 11

#### FOOD, GROCERIES, AND HOUSING (4 AND 5 ROOMS) COMBINED.

1911 .. ..	s. d. 12 1	s. d. 10 9	s. d. 10 0	s. d. 12 4	s. d. 13 5	s. d. 10 10	s. d. 11 7
1922 .. ..	19 7	18 2	16 6	18 5	18 3	18 10	18 7
1923 .. ..	20 8	19 8	17 3	19 6	18 10	20 0	19 9
1924 .. ..	20 5	19 0	17 3	19 7	19 4	20 3	19 6
1925 .. ..	21 0	19 7	17 7	20 1	19 10	20 3	20 0
1926 .. ..	21 5	20 2	18 8	20 1	19 10	20 6	20 6
1927 .. ..	21 2	19 11	18 0	20 0	19 6	19 9	20 3
1928 .. ..	21 3	19 10	18 0	20 1	20 3	19 1	20 3
1929 .. ..	22 4	20 9	18 3	20 7	20 9	19 10	21 1
1930 .. ..	21 2	18 11	16 5	18 7	19 4	18 9	19 7
1931 .. ..	18 7	16 4	14 10	15 7	17 1	16 11	17 1
1930—1st Quarter ..	22 0	19 7	17 6	19 9	20 3	19 3	20 5
2nd " ..	21 8	19 6	16 8	19 5	20 1	19 2	20 1
3rd " ..	21 0	19 0	16 1	18 3	19 4	18 9	19 5
4th " ..	20 2	17 9	15 4	17 0	17 9	17 11	18 6
1931—1st " ..	19 6	17 2	15 2	16 6	17 11	17 8	17 10
2nd " ..	19 0	16 5	15 1	15 10	17 7	17 2	17 4
3rd " ..	18 3	15 11	14 7	14 11	16 7	16 5	16 8
4th " ..	17 8	15 11	14 7	14 11	16 2	16 5	16 5

RETAIL PRICE INDEX-NUMBERS (FOOD AND GROCERIES), FOR EACH OF  
THIRTY TOWNS FOR THE MONTHS SPECIFIED, WITH WEIGHTED  
AVERAGE FOR THE SIX CAPITAL CITIES DURING THE FIVE-YEARLY  
PERIOD 1923-1927 AS BASE = 1,000.

Particulars.	1914.	1930.				1931.			Per- cent- age in- crease from July, 1914, to Dec., 1931.
	July.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.		
<b>NEW SOUTH WALES—</b>									
Sydney .. .. .	645	930	931	919	860	867	855	32.6	
Newcastle .. .. .	642	923	908	895	845	845	837	30.4	
Broken Hill .. .. .	821	1,098	1,110	1,111	970	979	958	16.7	
Goulburn .. .. .	661	907	896	895	809	809	818	23.8	
Bathurst .. .. .	613	925	883	902	832	834	844	37.7	
(a) Weighted Average .. .. .	652	934	933	921	861	867	856	31.3	
<b>VICTORIA—</b>									
Melbourne .. .. .	619	870	850	843	761	771	771	24.6	
Ballarat .. .. .	617	903	877	859	795	792	787	27.6	
Bendigo .. .. .	619	913	862	865	807	810	804	29.9	
Geelong .. .. .	609	885	858	840	773	772	791	29.9	
Warrnambool .. .. .	608	917	881	859	801	808	808	32.9	
(a) Weighted Average .. .. .	618	874	852	845	765	774	774	25.2	
<b>QUEENSLAND—</b>									
Brisbane .. .. .	591	801	777	774	762	774	770	30.3	
Toowoomba .. .. .	582	807	793	781	744	751	751	29.0	
Rockhampton .. .. .	646	866	841	834	826	847	847	31.1	
Charters Towers .. .. .	696	902	898	898	883	890	903	29.7	
Warwick .. .. .	605	841	813	796	784	785	801	32.4	
(a) Weighted Average .. .. .	605	812	789	785	771	783	781	29.1	
<b>SOUTH AUSTRALIA—</b>									
Adelaide .. .. .	699	877	849	838	749	753	769	10.0	
Kadina, Moonta, Wallaroo .. .. .	688	956	947	948	814	835	855	24.3	
Port Pirie .. .. .	722	954	937	927	811	813	830	15.0	
Mount Gambier .. .. .	595	879	857	849	761	762	781	31.3	
Peterborough .. .. .	749	1,006	928	916	826	828	858	14.6	
(a) Weighted Average .. .. .	697	885	857	846	755	760	775	11.2	
<b>WESTERN AUSTRALIA—</b>									
Perth, &c. .. .. .	749	882	856	855	792	796	792	5.7	
Kalgoorlie and Boulder .. .. .	931	1,082	1,026	984	983	986	972	4.4	
Northam .. .. .	..	963	937	926	860	861	863	..	
Bunbury .. .. .	793	978	945	931	844	836	822	3.7	
Geraldton .. .. .	808	1,004	920	914	904	903	892	10.4	
(a) Weighted Average .. .. .	790	910	879	873	817	820	814	3.0	
<b>TASMANIA—</b>									
Hobart .. .. .	678	894	885	879	784	792	795	17.3	
Launceston .. .. .	640	894	865	882	776	784	786	22.8	
Burnie .. .. .	..	951	944	919	833	836	835	..	
Devonport .. .. .	..	889	888	869	810	802	830	..	
Queenstown .. .. .	735	1,028	1,015	1,026	916	913	916	24.6	
(a) Weighted Average .. .. .	672	901	886	886	789	796	800	19.0	
Weighted Average for 30 Towns .. .. .	651	895	880	871	805	812	809	24.3	
Weighted Average, 6 Capital Cities .. .. .	645	889	876	867	801	808	805	24.8	
(b) Canberra (F.C.T.) .. .. .	..	1,012	1,003	994	929	915	919	..	
(b) Townsville (Queensland) .. .. .	..	896	871	879	921	935	934	..	

(a) Weighted Average for five towns. (b) Not included in above weighted averages.



Retail Price Index-Numbers (Food, Groceries, Housing—4 and 5 rooms only, Clothing and Miscellaneous Expenditure) for each of Thirty Towns for the periods specified, with Weighted Average for the Six Capital Cities during the five-yearly period, 1923-1927, as Base = 1,000.

State and Town.	Novem- ber, 1914.	Novem- ber, 1921.	Base Period 1923- 1927.	Year 1927.	Year 1928.	Year 1929.	Year 1930.	1930.	1931.			
								4th Qtr.	1st Qtr.	2nd Qtr.	3rd Qtr.	
NEW SOUTH WALES—												
Sydney ..	712	1,046	1,020	1,029	1,042	1,073	1,026	987	954	935	909	
Newcastle ..	..	1,041	994	1,015	1,014	1,028	991	948	925	906	872	
Broken Hill ..	..	975	970	1,000	997	1,018	973	933	909	902	872	
Goulburn ..	..	1,033	1,041	1,062	1,074	1,108	1,039	992	966	937	903	
Bathurst ..	..	947	941	952	964	979	959	927	895	886	860	
(a) Weighted Average	..	1,042	1,017	1,027	1,038	1,067	1,022	982	950	932	905	
VICTORIA—												
Melbourne ..	671	1,003	990	990	992	1,017	956	906	878	847	830	
Ballarat ..	..	992	917	922	929	957	909	866	836	807	796	
Bendigo ..	..	1,002	925	940	936	969	926	877	855	833	823	
Geelong ..	..	1,019	963	985	973	980	917	876	845	824	808	
Warrnambool ..	..	1,034	950	945	941	960	939	912	881	856	848	
(a) Weighted Average	..	1,003	984	985	987	1,011	951	903	874	844	827	
QUEENSLAND—												
Brisbane ..	611	923	927	922	917	923	859	820	814	804	788	
Toowoomba ..	..	949	914	914	906	916	885	855	834	816	810	
Rockhampton ..	..	972	908	929	903	904	868	829	824	810	797	
Charlton Towers ..	..	1,025	910	918	925	939	883	849	839	840	818	
Warwick ..	..	994	921	946	914	931	882	850	828	815	807	
(a) Weighted Average	..	941	923	923	915	922	863	825	817	807	792	
SOUTH AUSTRALIA—												
Adelaide ..	699	989	1,019	1,018	1,027	1,037	952	891	875	847	814	
Kadina, &c. ..	..	998	936	932	927	943	885	846	828	813	780	
Port Pirie ..	..	1,025	961	970	960	980	927	892	870	845	813	
Mount Gambler ..	..	1,029	936	945	948	963	918	892	846	831	824	
Peterborough ..	..	948	991	1,023	1,017	1,043	980	937	912	891	865	
(a) Weighted Average	..	992	1,012	1,012	1,019	1,030	948	889	873	846	813	
WESTERN AUSTRALIA—												
Perth, &c. ..	707	1,008	986	984	1,012	1,026	977	922	920	910	862	
Kalgoorlie, &c. ..	..	1,048	1,002	984	995	1,032	986	945	933	940	941	
Northam ..	..	1,030	985	988	1,003	1,022	969	929	897	888	868	
Bunbury ..	..	1,045	974	963	963	978	966	913	896	893	870	
Geraldton ..	..	1,056	1,015	1,010	1,029	1,051	1,029	985	971	964	942	
(a) Weighted Average	..	1,020	988	985	1,009	1,026	979	925	921	913	872	
TASMANIA—												
Hobart ..	687	1,070	1,031	998	980	1,000	956	921	907	888	852	
Launceston ..	..	1,067	973	953	957	967	949	921	894	873	854	
Burnie ..	..	1,003	957	936	941	966	918	884	856	843	824	
Devonport ..	..	904	944	925	909	948	920	894	875	834	808	
Queenstown ..	..	1,031	958	932	934	972	949	926	908	880	864	
(a) Weighted Average	..	1,057	1,005	977	966	986	951	918	900	879	849	
Weighted Average for 30 Towns ..												
..	..	1,013	994	997	1,003	1,026	971	926	901	880	855	
Weighted Average for 6 Capital Cities ..												
..	687	1,013	1,000	1,002	1,009	1,033	975	929	905	882	857	

(a) Weighted Average for five towns.

Note.—This table is prepared for the Commonwealth Court of Conciliation and Arbitration on a different basis from those given on the five preceding pages. As indicated by the heading in the table the rent constituent is based upon the weighted average of all houses. It is comparable with those published in issues of the Quarterly Summary previous to No. 99, but not directly comparable with those on pages 66 to 70 of this issue, owing to the difference in the basis of housing accommodation.

Retail Price Index-Numbers (Food, Groceries, and Housing—all Houses) for each of Thirty Towns for the periods specified, with Weighted Average of Food, Groceries, and Rent of all Houses for the Six Capital Cities in 1911 as Base = 1,000.

State and Town.	1931.				Index-Numbers for Twelve Months ending—	
	First Quarter (January to March).	Second Quarter (April to June).	Third Quarter (July to September).	Fourth Quarter (October to December).	30th Sept., 1931.	31st Dec., 1931.
<b>NEW SOUTH WALES—</b>						
Sydney .. ..	1,661	1,621	1,571	1,530	1,639	1,596
Newcastle .. ..	1,550	1,513	1,451	1,385	1,522	1,475
Broken Hill .. ..	1,537	1,511	1,435	1,379	1,516	1,466
Goulburn .. ..	1,571	1,540	1,481	1,433	1,552	1,506
Bathurst .. ..	1,465	1,450	1,402	1,343	1,452	1,415
Weighted Average, New South Wales .. ..	1,646	1,607	1,555	1,512	1,624	1,580
<b>VICTORIA—</b>						
Melbourne .. ..	1,519	1,457	1,411	1,405	1,488	1,448
Ballarat .. ..	1,420	1,371	1,339	1,327	1,396	1,364
Bendigo .. ..	1,389	1,330	1,297	1,294	1,361	1,328
Geelong .. ..	1,459	1,420	1,399	1,407	1,446	1,421
Warrnambool .. ..	1,484	1,435	1,424	1,438	1,473	1,445
Weighted Average, Victoria .. ..	1,507	1,448	1,404	1,398	1,478	1,439
<b>QUEENSLAND—</b>						
Brisbane .. ..	1,343	1,333	1,293	1,289	1,328	1,315
Toowoomba .. ..	1,324	1,286	1,246	1,251	1,298	1,277
Rockhampton .. ..	1,392	1,350	1,310	1,327	1,362	1,345
Charters Towers .. ..	1,318	1,318	1,277	1,265	1,309	1,295
Warwick .. ..	1,311	1,288	1,261	1,267	1,294	1,282
Weighted Average, Queensland .. ..	1,345	1,330	1,289	1,288	1,327	1,313
<b>SOUTH AUSTRALIA—</b>						
Adelaide .. ..	1,427	1,370	1,286	1,280	1,387	1,341
Kadina, &c. .. ..	1,237	1,192	1,115	1,126	1,201	1,168
Port Pirie .. ..	1,396	1,341	1,276	1,272	1,361	1,321
Mount Gambier .. ..	1,202	1,181	1,167	1,174	1,206	1,181
Peterborough .. ..	1,438	1,393	1,322	1,334	1,414	1,372
Weighted Average, South Australia .. ..	1,414	1,359	1,277	1,272	1,376	1,331
<b>WESTERN AUSTRALIA—</b>						
Perth, &c. .. ..	1,484	1,461	1,379	1,339	1,449	1,416
Kalgoorlie, &c. .. ..	1,376	1,390	1,386	1,403	1,386	1,389
Nunham .. ..	1,401	1,369	1,328	1,319	1,386	1,354
Bunbury .. ..	1,360	1,352	1,301	1,261	1,349	1,319
Geraldton .. ..	1,484	1,481	1,458	1,424	1,478	1,462
Weighted Average, Western Australia .. ..	1,469	1,450	1,379	1,345	1,440	1,411
<b>TASMANIA—</b>						
Hobart .. ..	1,534	1,491	1,431	1,433	1,505	1,472
Launceston .. ..	1,465	1,428	1,391	1,378	1,445	1,416
Burnie .. ..	1,389	1,365	1,337	1,340	1,389	1,358
Devonport .. ..	1,423	1,374	1,342	1,357	1,395	1,374
Queenstown .. ..	1,374	1,327	1,300	1,315	1,352	1,329
Weighted Average, Tasmania .. ..	1,498	1,457	1,407	1,406	1,473	1,442
Weighted Average, for 30 Towns .. ..	1,531	1,487	1,435	1,414	1,505	1,467
<b>Weighted Average, 6 Capital Cities .. ..</b>						
(a) Canberra .. ..	2,268	1,882(b)	1,695(b)	1,680	2,031	1,881

(a) Not included in above weighted averages. (b) Decrease mainly due to special revision of rents and rates.

**AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES RULING IN EACH OF THE FIVE PRINCIPAL TOWNS IN NEW SOUTH WALES ON THE 15th OF THE MONTHS SPECIFIED FOR THE YEAR 1931; ALSO THE WEIGHTED AVERAGE WEEKLY HOUSE RENTS—QUARTER ENDED 31st DECEMBER, 1931.**

Article.	Unit.	SYDNEY.			NEWCASTLE.			BROKEN HILL.			GOULBURN.			BATHURST.		
		Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
Groceries, &c.—																
Bread ..	2 lb.	5.38	5.43	5.43	4.89	4.89	4.89	5.43	5.43	5.43	5.50	5.50	5.50	5.50	5.50	5.50
Flour ..	25 lb.	44.78	47.22	48.06	44.29	46.29	46.07	42.86	44.57	45.43	41.80	46.20	46.20	42.80	49.00	47.40
Tea ..	lb.	28.00	28.00	28.00	27.29	27.29	27.29	29.29	30.43	30.43	26.80	26.80	26.80	29.00	29.00	29.00
Coffee ..	"	23.50	23.50	23.50	23.29	23.14	23.14	29.29	29.29	29.29	22.60	22.60	22.60	25.40	26.00	25.40
Sugar ..	"	4.56	4.56	4.56	4.86	4.86	4.86	5.24	5.24	5.24	5.00	5.00	5.00	4.90	4.90	4.90
Rice ..	"	3.53	3.53	3.53	3.93	3.93	3.86	4.93	4.93	4.93	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.20	4.20	4.10
Sago ..	"	3.28	3.28	3.30	3.79	3.79	3.79	4.93	4.93	4.93	3.80	3.80	3.80	4.20	4.10	4.10
Jam ..	"	6.52	6.52	6.59	7.24	7.33	7.24	6.53	6.53	6.53	6.20	6.47	7.00	8.33	8.27	8.27
Oatmeal ..	"	3.04	3.04	3.04	3.47	3.64	3.47	3.78	3.92	3.76	3.40	3.52	3.72	3.90	3.90	3.78
Raisins ..	"	8.39	8.39	8.22	9.00	9.25	9.21	9.50	9.50	9.50	8.80	9.00	9.30	9.70	10.00	10.10
Currants ..	"	8.33	8.44	8.44	8.71	8.79	9.07	9.29	9.29	9.29	8.20	8.20	8.60	9.10	9.40	9.50
Starch ..	"	9.50	9.50	9.50	10.36	10.36	10.36	10.50	10.50	10.50	11.60	11.60	11.00	11.80	11.80	11.80
Blue ..	doz. sq.	14.33	14.33	14.33	16.43	16.36	16.29	13.14	13.14	13.14	15.20	15.20	15.20	16.80	16.80	16.80
Candles ..	lb.	10.72	10.83	10.83	11.93	12.07	12.21	12.71	12.71	12.71	12.40	12.40	12.30	11.60	11.60	11.60
Soap ..	"	5.30	5.27	5.27	5.12	5.12	5.12	6.03	6.03	6.03	5.40	5.40	5.50	5.60	5.57	5.60
Potatoes ..	14 lb.	20.80	23.20	20.20	17.57	19.29	17.57	16.25	18.00	22.17	15.30	16.50	19.50	15.10	15.10	19.50
Onions ..	lb.	1.60	1.60	1.80	1.43	1.79	1.93	1.42	1.50	1.67	1.47	1.80	1.90	1.80	2.60	2.40
Kerosene ..	gal.	21.36	21.36	21.36	24.43	24.43	24.57	30.71	30.71	30.71	27.55	27.55	27.55	27.00	27.00	27.00
Dairy Produce—																
Milk ..	quart	6.85	6.75	6.75	5.86	5.86	5.86	6.00	6.00	6.00	5.00	4.80	4.80	6.00	6.00	6.00
Butter ..	lb.	18.78	18.50	17.06	18.93	18.50	17.00	19.17	19.33	18.67	18.80	18.10	16.60	20.50	19.90	18.20
Cheese ..	"	12.17	12.17	11.89	12.07	12.07	11.57	13.29	13.14	13.29	12.00	12.00	11.40	14.25	14.25	14.25
Eggs ..	doz.	14.44	14.67	16.78	14.14	14.43	16.57	12.00	12.33	13.33	11.10	11.00	15.60	11.70	11.70	15.40
Bacon, Middle ..	lb.	13.89	13.94	14.06	14.00	14.14	14.29	14.57	14.71	14.86	13.20	13.20	13.60	15.25	15.25	15.00
Shoulder ..	"	9.61	9.72	10.50	11.90	11.80	12.30	11.50	11.50	12.00	9.30	9.50	10.50	12.00	12.00	12.67
Ham ..	"	16.94	17.25	17.11	17.33	17.33	17.75	15.71	15.71	15.86	13.67	13.67	15.75	18.67	17.67	18.00
Meat—																
Beef, Sirloin ..	"	8.85	8.85	8.85	8.71	8.50	8.57	11.00	11.00	10.00	7.60	7.60	7.60	6.60	6.60	6.60
" Ribs ..	"	6.90	6.90	6.90	6.36	5.93	6.14	8.29	8.43	7.86	5.80	5.70	5.70	5.40	5.40	5.40
" Flank ..	"	7.15	7.15	7.15	5.71	5.21	5.36	6.20	6.20	6.00	3.20	3.10	3.10	3.40	3.40	3.40
" Shin ..	"	5.45	5.45	5.45	4.29	4.00	4.14	6.00	5.71	5.17	3.00	3.00	3.20	4.20	4.20	4.20
Steak, Rump ..	"	12.95	12.95	12.85	11.36	11.07	11.21	15.86	15.86	16.00	11.00	10.80	10.80	9.40	9.40	9.40
" Shoulder ..	"	7.05	7.05	6.95	6.36	6.29	6.29	11.14	11.14	9.29	6.00	6.00	6.00	5.80	5.80	5.80
" Stewing ..	"	6.15	6.05	6.05	5.50	5.29	5.29	9.86	10.00	8.43	4.80	4.80	4.80	5.20	5.00	5.00
Beef, Corned Roll ..	"	7.05	7.10	7.10	7.64	7.50	7.36	12.00	12.14	10.86	6.80	6.80	6.80	6.40	6.40	6.40
" Brisket, with bone ..	"	3.65	3.60	3.60	3.57	3.36	3.36	7.00	7.25	5.00	4.10	4.10	4.10	3.90	3.80	4.20
" " without bone ..	"	5.35	5.35	5.35	6.07	6.14	6.14	9.00	8.83	8.00	6.20	6.20	6.20	5.40	5.40	5.60
Mutton, Leg ..	"	5.70	5.70	5.70	6.93	6.86	6.93	9.00	9.00	8.00	6.00	5.80	5.80	5.40	5.40	5.60
" Shoulder ..	"	4.40	4.40	4.40	5.21	5.07	5.07	7.29	7.29	6.43	4.80	4.60	4.60	4.00	3.90	4.20
" Loin ..	"	7.05	7.05	7.05	6.57	6.43	6.43	9.00	8.86	7.86	6.40	6.20	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00
" Neck ..	"	3.20	3.25	3.20	5.00	4.86	4.86	7.14	7.14	6.00	3.00	3.00	3.00	2.60	2.50	2.70
Chops, Loin ..	"	7.35	7.35	7.40	7.57	7.29	7.29	10.57	10.43	9.57	7.20	7.20	7.00	6.40	6.40	6.40
" Leg ..	"	6.95	7.00	7.00	7.43	7.14	7.14	10.86	10.71	9.29	6.20	6.20	6.20	6.00	6.00	6.00
" Neck ..	"	5.60	5.60	5.55	5.43	5.43	5.43	8.86	8.86	8.00	4.40	4.40	4.40	4.90	5.00	4.80
Pork, Leg ..	"	10.65	10.75	10.95	10.79	10.36	10.64	12.14	12.14	12.00	9.00	9.20	9.20	8.80	8.80	8.80
" Loin ..	"	10.80	10.70	10.70	10.36	10.07	10.29	12.00	12.00	12.00	9.60	9.80	9.60	8.80	8.80	8.80
" Belly ..	"	8.45	8.60	8.65	7.79	7.64	7.64	11.71	12.00	12.00	8.40	8.20	8.20	7.80	7.80	7.80
" Chops ..	"	10.70	10.65	10.60	10.93	10.50	10.79	13.86	13.86	14.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	9.20	9.20	9.20
House Rents																
4 and 5 rooms All houses		..	244.67	..	..	209.99	..	..	159.78	..	..	228.84	..	..	198.85	..
		..	284.46	..	..	227.36	..	..	163.59	..	..	263.73	..	..	210.61	..

Article.	Unit.	MELBOURNE.			BALLARAT.			BENDIGO.			GEELONG.			WARRNAMBOO.		
		Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
Groceries, &c.—																
Bread .. ..	2 lb.	d. 3.60	d. 3.85	d. 4.00	d. 4.50	d. 4.50	d. 4.43	d. 4.50	d. 4.50	d. 4.50	d. 3.50	d. 3.70	d. 4.50	d. 4.50	d. 4.70	d. 5.00
Flour .. ..	25 „	28.65	33.30	34.75	24.50	28.14	27.71	26.86	32.14	31.29	22.10	30.30	31.80	28.80	33.00	34.20
Tea .. ..	lb.	27.60	27.60	27.60	26.86	26.86	26.86	24.71	25.14	25.14	24.80	24.80	24.80	24.60	24.60	24.60
Coffee .. ..	„	26.20	26.20	26.20	24.71	24.71	24.71	23.86	23.86	23.86	25.50	25.50	25.50	27.60	27.60	27.60
Sugar .. ..	„	4.50	4.50	4.50	4.75	4.75	4.75	5.00	5.00	5.00	4.50	4.50	4.50	4.75	4.75	4.75
Rice .. ..	„	3.53	3.53	3.53	3.57	3.57	3.57	3.61	3.61	3.61	3.45	3.45	3.45	3.90	3.90	3.90
Sago .. ..	„	2.89	2.89	2.89	2.93	2.93	2.93	3.36	3.36	3.36	2.75	2.75	2.75	2.80	2.90	3.00
Jam .. ..	„	6.27	6.37	6.67	5.81	6.19	6.40	5.38	5.72	5.81	5.63	5.47	5.53	5.77	5.33	5.47
Oatmeal .. ..	„	2.80	2.80	2.75	2.71	2.71	2.75	2.99	2.99	3.06	2.55	2.55	2.55	2.93	3.06	3.06
Raisins .. ..	„	8.25	8.55	8.60	8.00	8.00	8.00	7.79	7.93	8.00	8.80	8.90	9.10	7.80	8.00	8.60
Currants .. ..	„	8.00	8.20	8.20	8.14	8.21	8.07	7.36	7.64	7.86	7.60	8.10	8.50	7.40	7.70	8.20
Starch .. ..	„	9.95	9.75	9.70	9.57	9.57	9.71	9.50	9.50	9.50	9.00	9.00	9.10	8.60	8.60	8.60
Blue .. ..	doz. sq.	12.05	12.05	12.05	12.57	12.57	12.57	12.43	12.43	12.86	12.00	11.60	11.80	12.60	12.60	12.60
Candles .. ..	lb.	11.10	11.10	11.10	11.50	11.79	11.79	12.43	12.29	12.29	11.00	11.00	11.00	9.20	9.60	9.20
Soap .. ..	„	5.29	5.29	5.29	5.43	5.43	5.43	5.21	5.21	5.21	4.36	4.36	4.36	5.80	5.80	5.80
Potatoes .. ..	14 lb.	11.57	12.50	13.86	9.57	9.64	10.93	12.00	12.93	13.50	11.50	11.70	12.45	9.70	11.10	12.00
Onions .. ..	lb.	0.75	1.00	1.54	1.00	1.14	1.48	0.86	1.21	1.64	0.71	0.91	1.30	0.78	1.20	1.20
Kerosene .. ..	gal.	21.51	21.44	21.44	29.14	29.14	28.29	29.14	29.14	29.57	22.00	22.00	22.00	24.90	24.90	24.90
Dairy Produce—																
Milk .. ..	quart	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.71	6.71	6.71	5.00	5.00	5.00	6.20	6.00	6.00	4.60	4.60	4.60
Butter .. ..	lb.	18.65	18.11	16.90	17.21	16.71	15.14	19.43	18.71	17.43	17.80	16.40	16.20	19.80	18.60	17.40
Cheese .. ..	„	14.65	14.65	14.55	10.57	10.36	10.57	10.71	10.71	10.71	10.10	10.30	9.90	12.20	12.20	12.20
Eggs .. ..	doz.	12.10	11.40	12.70	8.14	8.14	9.43	9.00	9.00	9.86	8.50	8.50	11.50	7.00	7.00	10.25
Bacon, Middle ..	lb.	15.65	15.55	15.65	15.71	15.64	15.29	14.00	14.14	14.00	14.80	14.80	15.20	14.40	14.80	14.80
„ Shoulder ..	„	10.88	10.75	10.75	11.36	11.36	10.86	11.08	11.33	11.33	11.00	11.40	11.40	9.75	10.25	9.75
Ham .. ..	„	15.89	16.00	15.89	16.17	16.08	15.83	14.83	14.83	14.83	15.40	15.20	15.40	14.75	15.50	15.00
Meat—																
Beef, Sirloin ..	„	8.05	8.00	7.85	9.14	8.86	8.79	9.00	9.00	8.71	9.40	9.00	8.80	9.20	9.20	8.40
„ Ribs .. ..	„	6.60	6.70	6.50	7.43	7.29	7.43	8.14	8.14	8.14	7.80	7.60	7.40	7.40	7.40	7.00
„ Flank .. ..	„	6.67	6.67	6.56	4.57	4.57	4.57	4.86	4.71	5.00	5.20	5.20	5.00	6.00	6.00	4.80
„ Shin .. ..	„	5.15	5.30	4.90	4.50	4.43	4.29	5.71	5.29	5.29	5.40	5.40	5.40	5.40	5.40	5.40
Steak, Rump ..	„	13.00	12.90	12.70	14.29	13.86	13.71	13.14	13.14	13.14	13.80	13.80	13.80	15.20	14.60	14.40
„ Shoulder ..	„	7.40	7.50	7.10	7.71	7.57	7.43	8.43	8.43	8.29	7.80	7.80	7.40	8.40	8.40	8.40
„ Stewing ..	„	6.20	6.20	6.00	6.57	6.43	6.43	6.71	6.71	6.86	7.20	7.20	7.00	7.20	7.40	7.20
Beef, Corned Roll ..	„	7.85	8.10	7.90	9.71	9.29	9.43	8.43	8.43	8.29	9.00	9.00	8.80	9.40	9.40	9.40
„ Brisket, with bone..	„	4.55	4.35	4.15	5.29	4.93	5.00	5.29	6.00	5.00	5.10	5.10	5.10	6.40	6.40	6.40
„ „ without bone..	„	6.15	6.20	5.90	7.57	7.50	7.29	7.00	6.86	6.86	6.80	6.80	6.80	7.40	7.40	7.40
Mutton, Leg ..	„	5.60	5.60	5.45	5.64	5.71	5.71	6.86	6.86	6.43	6.80	6.70	6.70	7.00	7.20	7.00
„ Shoulder ..	„	3.40	3.40	3.35	3.36	3.36	3.36	4.43	4.36	4.36	4.60	4.60	4.60	5.00	5.00	4.80
„ Loin .. ..	„	5.45	5.30	5.40	5.14	5.00	5.00	6.00	5.71	5.57	6.80	6.90	6.70	7.60	7.40	7.40
„ Neck .. ..	„	2.90	2.95	2.85	2.86	2.86	2.86	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.70	4.70	4.60	5.20	4.80	4.70
Chops, Loin ..	„	6.65	6.70	6.40	6.79	6.43	6.29	8.43	8.14	8.14	7.40	7.40	7.40	8.40	8.40	8.40
„ Leg .. ..	„	7.00	6.83	6.67	7.43	7.21	7.07	7.71	7.71	7.29	7.40	7.40	7.40	8.60	8.60	8.60
„ Neck .. ..	„	4.00	4.05	3.80	4.86	4.71	4.71	5.71	5.86	5.43	5.00	5.00	5.20	6.40	6.60	6.40
Pork, Leg .. ..	„	9.50	9.70	9.50	9.50	9.33	9.00	9.20	8.80	8.80	10.50	10.20	9.75	9.40	9.20	9.40
„ Loin .. ..	„	9.50	9.80	9.61	9.33	9.17	8.83	9.20	8.80	8.80	10.75	10.60	10.25	9.40	9.40	9.60
„ Belly .. ..	„	9.10	9.35	9.06	9.17	9.33	8.83	9.00	8.80	8.60	10.00	10.00	10.00	9.00	8.80	9.00
„ Chops .. ..	„	9.90	10.30	10.17	9.83	9.83	9.50	10.00	9.60	9.20	11.25	11.20	10.75	10.00	10.00	10.20
House Rents ..	4 and 5 rooms All houses	..	222.45	..	..	160.98	..	..	165.82	..	..	209.09	..	..	218.13	..
		..	271.69 (a)	..	..	224.92	..	..	202.46	..	..	267.65	..	..	269.11	..

(a) The average weekly rent for "All Houses", Melbourne, for 3rd Quarter, 1931, was 275.57d.



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Article.	Unit.	BRISBANE.			TOOWOOMBA.			ROCKHAMPTON.			CHARTERS TOWERS.			WARWICK.		
		Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
Groceries, &c.—		d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.
Bread .. ..	2 lb.	5.25	5.13	4.91	5.50	5.50	5.50	5.75	5.75	5.75	5.90	5.90	5.90	5.50	5.50	5.50
Flour .. ..	25 "	47.36	47.36	46.50	53.71	52.43	52.43	58.43	58.14	58.43	60.00	60.00	60.00	48.00	48.00	48.00
Tea .. ..	lb.	25.32	25.00	25.00	25.64	25.36	24.71	28.57	28.36	28.14	24.20	24.20	24.20	24.00	24.00	24.00
Coffee .. ..	"	28.39	28.30	28.30	27.14	26.57	26.64	29.43	29.43	29.43	27.60	27.00	27.00	27.00	27.00	27.00
Sugar .. ..	"	4.46	4.46	4.46	4.57	4.61	4.57	4.71	4.71	4.71	5.00	5.00	5.00	4.75	4.75	4.75
Rice .. ..	"	3.45	3.45	3.45	3.68	3.68	3.68	3.50	3.50	3.50	4.00	4.00	4.00	3.50	3.50	3.50
Sago .. ..	"	2.90	2.90	2.90	3.29	3.29	3.29	3.07	3.14	3.14	3.67	3.74	3.67	3.50	3.50	3.50
Jam .. ..	"	5.25	5.25	5.39	5.61	5.61	5.75	6.68	6.46	6.46	7.50	7.40	7.40	7.00	7.00	7.00
Oatmeal .. ..	"	2.74	2.70	2.70	3.25	3.02	3.02	3.15	3.15	3.15	3.64	3.64	3.64	3.00	3.00	3.00
Raisins .. ..	"	9.41	9.55	9.50	9.14	9.14	9.14	8.50	8.50	8.64	10.50	10.10	10.10	9.50	9.40	9.50
Currants .. ..	"	8.86	8.91	9.14	8.64	8.93	8.93	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.80	9.80	10.00	9.00	9.00	9.00
Starch .. ..	"	9.14	9.14	9.09	10.00	10.29	9.86	10.14	10.21	10.14	12.00	12.00	12.00	11.00	11.00	11.00
Blue .. ..	doz. sq.	11.32	11.32	11.32	11.71	11.57	11.86	16.14	16.14	16.14	14.40	14.40	14.40	12.00	12.00	12.00
Candles .. ..	lb.	10.32	10.32	10.32	10.36	10.21	10.29	13.00	13.00	13.00	13.87	13.87	13.87	12.00	12.00	12.00
Soap .. ..	"	4.18	4.00	3.91	4.46	4.36	4.32	4.11	3.79	3.79	4.71	4.71	4.56	4.75	4.75	4.50
Potatoes .. ..	14 lb.	16.82	21.91	22.32	17.57	21.29	21.86	20.00	28.71	28.57	22.25	26.25	31.25	18.00	21.00	27.00
Onions .. ..	lb.	1.04	1.29	1.33	1.53	1.49	1.46	1.39	1.67	1.74	1.53	1.93	1.76	1.50	1.50	2.00
Kerosene .. ..	gal.	17.91	17.91	18.05	21.71	21.43	21.43	22.27	22.27	22.27	23.20	23.20	23.20	26.00	26.00	26.00
Dairy Produce—																
Milk .. ..	quart	6.28	6.28	6.08	5.43	5.43	5.43	6.00	6.00	6.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	5.80	5.60	5.60
Butter .. ..	lb.	19.86	19.59	18.41	20.14	19.86	18.86	21.00	20.64	19.71	21.90	21.20	20.50	21.00	21.00	19.50
Cheese .. ..	"	11.45	11.55	11.45	11.43	11.36	11.36	12.14	12.14	12.29	13.20	13.20	13.20	13.00	13.00	13.00
Eggs .. ..	doz.	9.73	10.14	11.77	7.14	7.14	10.79	9.57	9.43	12.71	11.50	11.50	14.00	7.00	7.00	12.00
Bacon, Middle ..	lb.	11.50	11.73	11.68	10.50	10.57	10.64	12.00	12.00	12.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	11.00	11.00	11.00
" Shoulder ..	"	8.05	8.05	8.95	6.86	7.07	8.07	8.21	8.14	8.14	7.00	7.00	7.00	7.00	7.00	7.00
" Ham .. ..	"	15.15	15.35	15.10	15.00	15.50	15.29	17.40	17.50	17.79	18.00	18.33	19.00	15.00	15.00	16.00
Meat—																
Beef, Sirloin ..	"	7.23	7.23	7.23	5.00	5.00	5.00	6.86	6.71	6.71	8.00	8.00	8.00	6.25	6.20	6.20
" Ribs .. ..	"	4.65	4.70	4.70	3.86	3.86	3.86	5.29	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	4.75	4.60	4.60
" Flank .. ..	"	3.00	3.00	3.00	2.83	2.83	2.83	3.29	3.14	3.14	3.40	3.40	3.40	2.20	2.00	2.00
" Shin .. ..	"	3.45	3.45	3.35	2.57	2.57	2.57	2.57	2.57	2.57	3.70	3.70	3.70	1.83	1.75	1.75
Steak, Rump ..	"	9.50	9.50	9.70	7.43	7.29	7.29	8.71	8.71	8.71	10.00	10.00	10.00	7.75	7.60	7.60
" Shoulder ..	"	4.75	4.75	4.90	3.64	3.64	3.64	4.43	4.33	4.33	5.40	5.40	5.40	4.00	4.00	4.00
" Stewing ..	"	3.85	3.85	3.90	2.93	2.93	2.93	3.29	3.14	3.14	4.30	4.00	4.00	3.00	3.00	3.00
Beef, Corned Roll ..	"	6.10	6.10	6.15	4.93	4.93	4.93	6.29	6.29	6.29	6.80	6.60	6.60	6.25	6.20	6.00
" Brisket, with bone ..	"	2.81	2.81	3.00	3.29	3.14	3.14	3.71	3.71	3.71	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.60	4.60	4.60
" " without bone ..	"	4.80	4.80	5.05	4.29	4.14	4.00	5.57	5.57	5.57	6.00	6.00	6.00	5.50	5.60	5.60
Mutton, Leg ..	"	5.40	5.40	5.70	4.93	4.79	4.79	5.86	6.00	6.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.60	5.20	5.20
" Shoulder ..	"	2.95	3.05	3.40	2.79	2.79	2.79	4.21	4.21	4.21	3.50	3.50	3.50	4.00	3.80	3.80
" Loin .. ..	"	4.80	4.90	5.10	4.71	4.71	4.71	5.86	5.71	6.00	5.60	5.60	5.80	5.50	5.20	5.20
" Neck .. ..	"	1.80	1.75	1.90	2.14	2.14	2.14	2.86	3.29	3.50	2.40	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00
Chops, Loin ..	"	5.30	5.30	5.60	4.71	4.71	4.71	6.14	6.14	6.14	6.00	6.00	6.00	5.50	5.20	5.20
" Leg .. ..	"	5.50	5.50	5.85	5.00	5.00	5.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	5.50	5.20	5.20
" Neck .. ..	"	3.85	3.80	3.95	3.14	3.00	3.00	4.57	4.43	5.00	4.50	4.00	4.00	2.80	2.80	2.80
Pork, Leg .. ..	"	8.45	8.55	8.65	8.57	8.57	8.57	10.14	10.29	10.17	10.00	10.00	10.00	8.50	8.25	8.25
" Loin .. ..	"	8.55	8.55	8.70	8.14	8.14	8.14	10.14	10.29	10.17	10.00	10.00	10.00	8.50	8.25	8.25
" Belly .. ..	"	6.65	6.75	6.80	6.29	6.29	6.29	9.00	9.00	9.00	8.80	8.80	8.80	6.67	6.50	6.50
" Chops .. ..	"	8.65	8.65	8.85	9.14	9.00	9.14	10.14	10.57	10.33	10.00	10.00	10.00	8.50	8.25	8.25
House Rents ..		4 and 5 rooms	174.20	..	..	164.40	..	..	156.71	..	..	151.58	..	..	170.70	..
		All houses	218.74	..	..	211.09	..	..	201.91	..	..	148.67	..	..	198.00	..

**AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES RULING IN EACH OF THE FIVE PRINCIPAL TOWNS IN SOUTH AUSTRALIA ON THE 15th OF THE MONTHS SPECIFIED FOR THE YEAR 1931; ALSO THE WEIGHTED AVERAGE WEEKLY HOUSE RENTS—QUARTER ENDED 31st DECEMBER, 1931.**

Article.	Unit.	ADELAIDE.			KADINA, &C.			PORT PHILIP.			MT. GAMBIER.			PETERBOROUGH.		
		Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
Groceries, &c.—		d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.
Bread .. ..	2 lb.	3.90	3.90	3.90	4.00	4.50	4.50	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.50	4.00	4.00	4.50
Flour .. ..	25 „	27.25	30.90	31.95	28.92	31.70	32.60	34.00	36.29	38.71	31.20	34.80	36.00	32.40	34.80	36.40
Tea .. ..	lb.	24.95	25.05	25.05	28.42	28.42	28.42	28.29	28.14	28.29	29.40	29.40	30.00	28.80	28.80	28.80
Coffee .. ..	„	23.45	23.45	23.45	29.00	28.67	28.67	26.71	26.57	26.71	32.60	32.60	32.40	28.80	28.80	28.20
Sugar .. ..	„	4.40	4.40	4.40	4.63	4.63	4.63	4.57	4.57	4.57	4.93	4.93	4.93	4.70	4.75	4.70
Rice .. ..	„	3.45	3.40	3.40	4.25	4.25	4.25	4.14	4.14	4.14	4.50	4.50	4.50	4.00	4.00	4.00
Sago .. ..	„	2.85	2.80	2.80	3.83	3.83	3.83	3.79	3.79	3.79	4.30	4.30	4.30	3.40	3.40	3.60
Jam .. ..	„	5.96	5.96	5.99	6.33	6.33	6.39	6.38	6.43	6.62	7.00	7.00	7.00	6.67	6.73	6.80
Oatmeal .. ..	„	2.34	2.34	2.36	3.26	3.26	3.26	3.53	3.48	3.50	3.07	3.13	3.04	3.17	3.23	3.23
Raisins .. ..	„	6.55	6.50	6.45	7.58	7.75	7.75	8.29	8.43	8.64	9.60	9.40	9.30	7.50	7.50	8.00
Currants .. ..	„	6.90	7.05	7.35	7.83	8.25	8.67	8.14	8.43	8.93	9.10	9.20	9.20	8.00	8.20	8.40
Starch .. ..	„	8.10	8.00	8.00	10.42	10.42	10.42	9.57	9.57	9.57	10.20	10.20	10.20	10.90	10.60	10.80
Blue .. ..	doz. sq.	11.85	11.85	11.85	13.17	13.17	13.17	12.29	12.29	12.29	13.60	12.60	12.60	12.80	12.00	12.00
Candles .. ..	lb.	10.85	10.85	10.85	12.50	12.33	12.33	11.86	11.86	11.86	11.80	11.80	11.80	12.80	12.80	13.20
Soap .. ..	„	4.29	4.29	4.29	4.13	4.13	4.13	4.34	4.34	4.30	5.12	5.12	5.12	5.50	5.30	5.30
Potatoes .. ..	14 lb.	13.57	15.29	21.86	16.40	17.60	24.20	15.00	17.57	21.43	10.90	10.90	14.00	17.80	19.40	27.20
Onions .. ..	lb.	1.14	1.06	1.05	1.67	2.20	1.90	1.68	1.64	1.71	1.50	1.50	1.60	1.50	1.70	1.70
Kerosene .. ..	gal.	19.73	19.73	19.73	24.91	24.91	24.91	25.86	25.86	25.86	27.60	27.60	27.60	26.40	26.06	26.40
Dairy Produce—																
Milk .. ..	quart	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	5.80	5.80	5.80	7.20	7.20	7.20
Butter .. ..	lb.	17.17	16.65	15.70	15.33	15.90	15.70	17.00	16.79	16.36	14.20	14.20	14.20	17.60	17.00	16.80
Cheese .. ..	„	10.70	10.70	10.70	12.00	12.50	12.17	12.33	12.50	12.50	13.40	13.40	13.20	12.80	12.40	12.60
Eggs .. ..	doz.	7.25	7.35	10.60	5.83	5.92	7.60	5.93	5.86	7.57	7.80	7.00	8.00	6.20	6.40	8.40
Bacon, Middle ..	lb.	10.50	10.45	10.60	12.40	12.40	12.40	13.33	13.00	13.00	13.40	13.40	13.00	13.60	13.80	13.00
„ Shoulder .. ..	„	7.94	7.94	8.28	11.00	11.00	11.00	11.80	11.80	12.00	10.67	11.00	11.33	12.50	12.00	12.00
Ham .. ..	„	13.56	13.94	14.22	14.50	14.50	15.50	16.20	16.20	16.20	13.00	13.33	13.33	19.00	19.00	19.00
Meat—																
Beef, Sirloin .. ..	„	7.20	7.00	6.95	8.71	8.71	8.71	8.00	8.00	8.00	7.00	7.00	7.00	6.50	6.50	6.50
„ Ribs .. ..	„	5.10	5.05	5.15	7.86	8.00	8.00	6.57	6.57	6.57	6.00	6.60	6.60	6.00	6.00	6.25
„ Flank .. ..	„	7.20	7.00	6.85	6.71	6.71	6.71	3.67	3.67	3.50	5.20	5.20	5.00	9.33	9.33	8.67
„ Shin .. ..	„	5.30	5.20	5.10	6.60	6.67	6.17	6.14	6.00	6.00	5.50	5.50	5.25	6.33	6.33	6.33
Steak, Rump .. ..	„	11.50	11.30	11.20	11.86	11.86	11.86	14.00	13.71	13.57	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.75	12.75	11.75
„ Shoulder .. ..	„	7.70	7.60	7.30	9.43	9.43	9.43	9.29	9.29	9.14	7.40	7.20	7.20	8.25	7.67	7.67
„ Stewing .. ..	„	6.90	7.00	6.70	9.29	9.14	9.29	8.57	8.43	8.29	6.00	6.00	6.00	8.25	8.25	7.75
Beef, Corned Roll ..	„	8.10	8.15	8.15	8.86	8.86	8.86	9.43	9.43	9.29	8.20	8.20	8.00	8.75	8.75	7.75
„ Brisket, with bone ..	„	4.38	4.75	4.75	6.71	6.86	6.86	5.67	5.67	5.50	5.60	5.40	5.40	5.00	5.00	5.00
„ „ without bone ..	„	5.60	5.85	5.90	8.00	8.14	8.00	7.86	7.86	7.71	6.80	6.80	6.60	6.75	6.75	6.50
Mutton, Leg .. ..	„	6.25	6.20	6.20	6.86	7.00	7.00	6.43	6.43	6.43	5.40	5.40	5.20	6.00	6.00	6.00
„ Shoulder .. ..	„	5.25	5.35	5.25	5.43	5.43	5.57	4.86	4.86	4.86	4.30	4.30	4.30	5.50	5.50	5.50
„ Loin .. ..	„	6.10	6.05	6.05	5.86	5.86	5.71	5.36	5.36	5.36	4.80	4.80	4.80	5.25	5.50	5.25
„ Neck .. ..	„	4.45	4.45	4.40	4.86	4.86	4.86	4.29	4.29	4.29	4.20	4.20	4.20	5.50	5.25	5.25
Chops, Loin .. ..	„	7.40	7.30	7.10	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.43	8.43	8.43	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.50	6.25	6.25
„ Leg .. ..	„	7.80	7.90	7.70	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.71	8.71	8.71	6.20	6.20	6.00	6.50	6.50	6.25
„ Neck .. ..	„	5.95	5.95	5.65	6.43	6.43	6.57	6.71	7.29	7.00	4.80	4.80	4.80	6.00	6.25	6.00
Pork, Leg .. ..	„	8.85	8.95	8.70	8.14	8.14	8.14	8.71	8.71	8.71	6.80	6.60	6.40	6.25	6.25	6.75
„ Loin .. ..	„	9.30	9.30	9.10	7.86	7.86	7.86	8.29	8.29	8.29	7.00	6.80	6.80	6.25	6.25	6.25
„ Belly .. ..	„	9.10	8.90	8.90	7.57	7.71	7.71	7.00	7.00	7.00	7.00	6.80	6.60	6.25	6.25	6.00
„ Chops .. ..	„	9.60	9.70	9.50	8.71	8.71	8.86	9.14	9.14	9.14	8.00	8.00	7.80	8.25	8.25	7.50
House Rents .. ..	4 and 5 rooms	..	190.19	..	..	105.12	..	..	171.55	..	..	154.66	..	..	183.95	..
	All houses	..	220.29	..	..	112.93	..	..	186.54	..	..	166.62	..	..	206.18	..

**AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES RULING IN EACH OF THE FIVE PRINCIPAL TOWNS IN WESTERN AUSTRALIA ON THE 15th OF THE MONTHS SPECIFIED FOR THE YEAR 1931; ALSO THE WEIGHTED AVERAGE WEEKLY HOUSE RENTS—QUARTER ENDED 31st DECEMBER, 1931.**

Article.	Unit.	PERTH AND FREMANTLE.			KALGOORLIE AND BOULDER.			NORTHAM.			BUNBURY.			GERALDTON.		
		Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
Groceries, &c.—		d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.
Bread ..	2 lb.	4.20	4.15	4.15	4.93	4.93	4.93	4.50	4.50	4.50	4.50	4.50	4.50	5.00	5.00	5.00
Flour ..	25 ..	32.30	35.50	35.30	40.71	40.71	41.57	34.50	39.60	38.50	34.20	36.00	37.50	31.88	36.75	36.75
Tea ..	lb.	27.10	27.10	27.00	31.86	31.86	31.86	29.00	23.00	23.00	23.60	23.60	23.60	29.50	29.25	27.75
Coffee ..	"	22.50	22.50	22.50	29.29	29.29	29.29	21.17	22.17	22.17	25.20	25.20	25.20	26.00	26.83	26.83
Sugar ..	"	4.50	4.50	4.50	5.50	5.50	5.50	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	4.90	4.88	4.88	4.88
Rice ..	"	3.75	3.75	3.70	5.00	5.00	5.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	3.80	3.70	3.70	4.00	4.00	4.00
Sago ..	"	3.00	3.05	3.05	4.64	4.71	4.71	3.58	4.00	4.00	3.40	3.30	3.20	3.00	3.00	3.25
Jam ..	"	6.13	6.19	6.27	7.33	7.24	7.33	7.22	6.78	6.94	6.93	6.93	6.93	6.67	7.00	6.83
Oatmeal ..	"	3.09	3.11	3.19	3.79	3.82	3.80	3.86	3.52	3.44	3.57	3.49	3.49	3.95	4.02	3.82
Raisins ..	"	8.10	8.15	8.25	9.71	9.71	9.71	8.33	8.08	8.42	8.00	8.50	8.80	8.50	8.25	8.38
Currants ..	"	8.30	8.40	8.60	9.86	9.86	10.14	8.42	8.25	8.50	8.90	8.90	8.90	9.00	9.25	9.38
Starch ..	"	8.55	8.60	8.60	11.71	11.71	11.71	10.33	10.33	10.33	10.40	10.40	10.20	10.75	10.00	10.00
Blue ..	doz. sq.	16.30	16.40	16.40	17.71	17.71	18.00	17.33	17.03	17.00	16.80	16.60	16.60	17.25	17.00	17.00
Candles ..	lb.	11.40	11.40	11.40	13.00	12.86	12.86	12.58	12.08	12.08	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.25	12.25	12.25
Soap ..	"	4.29	4.23	4.17	6.40	6.19	6.19	5.48	5.12	5.21	5.19	5.13	5.13	4.43	3.94	4.25
Potatoes ..	14 lb.	17.50	20.30	17.10	21.43	24.00	19.86	20.50	22.40	20.67	18.00	20.75	18.00	19.00	24.75	21.00
Onions ..	lb.	1.60	1.70	1.60	2.00	2.08	1.93	2.00	2.00	2.17	2.10	2.10	2.10	2.35	2.60	2.35
Kerosene ..	gal.	22.25	22.25	21.95	33.26	33.26	33.26	26.83	26.83	26.83	23.93	23.78	23.78	24.61	24.43	24.49
Dairy Produce—																
Milk ..	quart	6.95	6.95	6.95	9.83	9.83	9.83	6.00	6.00	6.33	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	5.00	5.00
Butter ..	lb.	18.90	18.80	17.65	20.71	20.14	19.29	20.33	20.67	20.17	20.00	19.60	18.00	20.25	19.50	19.00
Cheese ..	"	11.65	11.90	11.90	12.86	12.86	12.86	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.75	12.75	12.75
Eggs ..	doz.	8.60	9.85	9.80	10.86	12.57	13.29	8.00	8.17	9.17	8.60	8.60	11.50	7.50	6.75	10.75
Bacon, Middle ..	lb.	14.90	14.80	14.80	14.00	14.00	14.00	13.60	13.83	13.83	14.20	14.00	14.00	14.25	13.25	13.25
" Shoulder ..	"	8.85	8.85	9.05	9.71	9.71	9.71	9.20	10.50	9.83	9.25	9.25	9.25	10.25	10.25	10.00
Ham ..	"	16.40	16.40	16.60	16.43	16.43	16.57	15.20	15.33	15.67	16.60	16.20	16.00	17.75	17.25	17.25
Meat—																
Beef, Sirloin ..	"	7.40	7.20	7.20	9.00	8.86	8.86	8.00	7.80	8.00	8.00	7.33	7.33	9.67	9.67	9.67
" Ribs ..	"	6.10	5.80	5.80	7.29	7.14	7.14	7.00	6.80	7.00	7.00	6.33	6.33	8.67	8.67	8.67
" Flank ..	"	7.11	7.20	7.20	9.14	9.14	9.14	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.33	7.67	7.67	8.00	8.00	8.00
" Shin ..	"	5.75	5.50	5.50	6.71	6.57	6.57	6.40	6.00	6.20	5.50	5.33	5.33	7.67	7.67	7.67
Steak, Rump ..	"	13.50	13.60	13.40	14.57	14.57	14.57	15.00	14.80	14.60	13.00	12.00	12.00	14.67	14.67	14.67
" Shoulder ..	"	7.00	7.20	7.20	9.14	9.14	9.14	8.80	8.60	8.60	8.00	7.67	7.67	9.33	9.33	9.33
" Stewing ..	"	6.40	6.40	6.30	7.00	7.00	7.00	8.20	8.00	8.00	7.33	7.00	7.00	8.67	8.67	8.67
Beef, Corned Roll ..	"	7.30	7.40	7.40	9.00	8.86	8.86	8.40	8.20	8.40	9.00	8.33	8.33	9.33	9.33	9.33
" Brisket, with bone ..	"	4.00	3.78	3.78	5.43	5.29	5.29	5.40	5.40	5.40	5.17	4.75	4.75	8.00	8.00	8.00
" " without bone ..	"	5.60	5.50	5.40	7.14	7.29	7.29	7.20	7.00	7.20	7.00	6.67	6.67	8.67	8.67	8.67
Mutton, Leg ..	"	5.55	5.40	6.10	7.71	7.57	7.57	6.40	6.30	6.40	6.67	6.00	6.00	8.00	8.00	8.00
" Shoulder ..	"	3.80	3.35	3.95	4.57	4.57	4.57	4.80	4.40	4.40	4.33	4.33	4.33	6.00	6.00	6.00
" Loin ..	"	5.25	4.80	5.60	7.43	7.14	7.14	5.60	5.50	5.40	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.67	6.67	7.33
" Neck ..	"	3.75	3.40	4.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	3.80	3.60	3.60	3.50	3.50	3.50	5.33	5.33	5.33
Chops, Loin ..	"	5.70	5.55	6.15	8.29	8.14	8.14	6.80	7.00	7.00	7.67	7.00	7.00	8.67	8.67	8.67
" Leg ..	"	5.75	5.55	6.25	8.50	8.33	8.33	6.60	6.80	6.80	7.67	7.00	7.00	9.00	8.33	8.33
" Neck ..	"	4.15	3.80	4.20	6.14	6.00	6.00	4.60	4.60	5.00	5.50	5.67	5.67	6.67	6.00	6.00
Pork, Leg ..	"	9.05	8.90	9.40	11.57	11.57	11.57	9.00	8.80	8.80	8.33	8.00	8.00	9.00	9.00	9.00
" Loin ..	"	8.90	8.95	9.20	11.29	11.29	11.29	8.60	8.60	8.60	7.67	7.67	7.67	9.00	9.00	9.00
" Belly ..	"	7.05	6.85	7.40	9.00	9.00	9.00	7.60	7.60	7.60	6.00	6.00	6.00	8.33	8.33	8.33
" Chops ..	"	9.10	9.00	9.60	12.14	12.00	12.00	9.60	9.60	9.40	8.00	8.00	8.00	9.67	9.67	9.67
House Rents ..	4 and 5 rooms	..	220.54	..	..	185.76	..	..	221.37	..	..	199.04	..	..	262.70	..
	All houses	..	229.66	..	..	168.99	..	..	187.77	..	..	174.19	..	..	217.51	..



FOR THE YEAR 1931; ALSO THE WEIGHTED AVERAGE WEEKLY HOUSE RENTS — QUARTER ENDED 31st DECEMBER, 1931.

Article.	Unit.	HOBART.			LAUNCESTON.			BURNIE.			DEVONPORT.			QUEENSTOWN.		
		Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
Groceries, &c.—		d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.
Bread ..	2 lb.	3.90	4.00	3.95	3.43	3.71	3.86	4.50	4.50	4.50	3.67	3.67	3.67	4.00	4.00	4.00
Flour ..	25 lb.	33.45	39.60	39.00	28.93	35.29	36.14	31.60	35.00	35.40	32.40	36.60	37.20	33.00	33.00	35.40
Tea ..	lb.	23.00	27.90	27.60	26.57	26.57	26.57	30.60	30.40	30.20	30.40	30.60	30.00	31.80	31.40	31.40
Coffee ..	"	23.20	23.20	23.20	24.71	24.71	24.71	25.80	25.80	25.80	26.80	26.80	26.80	25.80	25.80	25.80
Sugar ..	"	4.50	4.50	4.50	4.50	4.50	4.50	4.50	4.50	4.50	4.50	4.50	4.50	4.50	4.50	4.50
Rice ..	"	3.70	3.70	3.70	3.50	3.57	3.57	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.10	4.10	4.10	4.00	4.00	4.00
Sago ..	"	3.45	3.45	3.50	3.14	3.14	3.21	3.40	3.40	3.40	3.70	3.80	3.80	3.90	3.90	3.90
Jam ..	"	6.22	6.29	6.38	6.28	6.38	6.29	6.53	6.63	6.63	6.53	6.40	6.67	7.60	7.60	7.47
Oatmeal ..	"	3.35	3.41	3.46	2.85	2.85	2.85	3.11	3.34	3.34	3.11	3.29	3.40	4.27	4.24	4.14
Raisins ..	"	9.70	9.70	9.70	8.21	8.50	8.57	8.70	9.10	9.10	9.80	9.80	9.80	10.60	10.80	10.80
Currants ..	"	8.95	9.00	9.00	8.64	8.86	9.07	8.30	8.60	8.70	8.90	8.90	9.20	8.90	9.10	9.00
Starch ..	"	10.20	10.20	10.20	9.86	9.86	9.86	10.80	11.40	11.10	11.20	11.20	11.00	11.80	11.80	11.80
Blue ..	doz. sq.	11.75	11.75	11.75	11.50	11.50	11.50	14.20	14.20	14.20	12.80	13.60	13.60	14.30	14.30	14.30
Candles ..	lb.	10.80	10.80	10.80	11.14	11.14	11.14	11.80	12.00	12.00	11.80	12.00	11.60	12.00	12.00	12.00
Soap ..	"	5.85	5.85	5.85	5.07	5.07	5.13	5.47	5.87	5.80	5.93	5.93	5.85	5.80	5.80	5.80
Potatoes ..	14 lb.	12.55	12.55	17.15	11.70	12.30	12.50	16.40	16.80	15.90	17.76	18.43	21.52	22.30	21.90	23.50
Onions ..	lb.	1.43	1.80	1.90	1.04	1.15	1.70	0.97	1.63	1.90	1.70	1.90	2.00	2.20	2.50	2.50
Kerosene ..	gal.	25.70	25.70	25.60	25.29	25.29	25.29	25.20	25.20	25.20	27.30	27.30	27.30	33.90	33.90	33.90
Dairy Produce—																
Milk ..	quart	5.45	5.45	5.30	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	7.50	7.50	7.50
Butter ..	lb.	18.80	18.10	16.80	18.14	17.57	16.43	14.80	13.80	14.40	14.00	10.80	14.20	13.90	18.30	17.40
Cheese ..	"	13.00	13.00	13.00	11.93	11.86	11.43	13.20	12.60	12.60	13.80	14.00	14.40	12.60	12.60	12.60
Eggs ..	doz.	9.05	9.20	10.75	8.71	9.21	10.71	9.00	9.40	11.20	7.30	7.40	10.20	13.00	12.60	13.80
Bacon, Middle ..	lb.	13.80	13.90	13.90	14.71	14.71	14.71	12.40	12.60	12.80	14.00	14.20	14.40	12.80	12.80	13.00
" Shoulder ..	"	7.90	7.90	8.20	8.71	8.43	8.57	9.20	9.40	9.80	10.60	10.60	11.00	10.40	10.50	10.50
Ham ..	"	15.00	15.25	15.20	15.60	15.20	15.50	12.80	14.00	14.00	13.00	13.00	14.00	13.00	13.00	13.60
Meat—																
Beef, Sirloin ..	"	9.00	8.90	8.60	8.86	8.57	8.57	8.50	8.50	8.25	8.67	8.67	8.33	9.00	9.00	9.00
" Ribs ..	"	7.40	7.10	7.10	7.14	6.86	6.71	7.75	7.75	7.50	7.33	7.33	7.33	8.00	8.00	8.00
" Flank ..	"	6.40	6.50	6.30	4.58	4.58	4.58	5.25	5.25	5.25	5.33	5.00	5.33	7.67	7.67	7.67
" Shin ..	"	4.33	4.14	4.44	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.33	5.67	5.67	7.50	7.50	7.50
Steak, Rump ..	"	12.80	13.20	13.30	11.57	11.43	11.43	9.75	9.75	10.00	11.33	11.33	11.00	13.00	13.00	13.00
" Shoulder ..	"	6.70	6.80	6.80	6.57	6.57	6.71	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	9.00	9.00	9.00
" Stewing ..	"	6.50	6.60	6.50	6.71	6.71	6.71	8.00	8.00	8.00	7.00	7.00	7.00	7.67	7.67	7.67
Beef, Corned Roll ..	"	8.20	8.50	8.60	8.29	8.29	8.29	8.50	8.50	8.25	8.33	8.33	8.33	9.00	9.00	9.00
" Brisket, with bone ..	"	4.50	4.68	4.60	5.00	5.00	4.57	5.75	5.75	5.75	5.00	5.33	5.33	6.33	6.33	6.33
" " without bone ..	"	6.67	7.00	6.89	7.43	7.43	7.43	7.50	7.50	7.25	6.67	6.67	6.67	7.67	7.67	7.67
Mutton, Leg ..	"	5.50	5.90	5.80	6.43	6.57	6.71	8.50	8.50	8.25	7.33	7.33	7.33	8.67	8.67	8.67
" Shoulder ..	"	3.90	4.30	4.05	5.00	5.00	5.00	6.25	6.25	6.00	5.67	5.67	6.00	6.33	6.33	6.33
" Loin ..	"	5.45	5.50	5.75	5.86	6.00	6.00	7.75	7.75	7.50	6.67	6.67	7.00	8.67	8.67	8.67
" Neck ..	"	4.25	4.35	4.40	4.43	4.43	4.43	5.75	5.75	5.75	5.33	5.33	6.00	6.67	6.67	6.67
Chops, Loin ..	"	7.70	7.70	7.70	8.86	8.71	8.71	9.00	9.00	9.00	8.67	8.67	8.67	8.67	8.67	8.67
" Leg ..	"	8.10	8.10	8.00	8.57	8.43	8.43	8.75	8.75	9.00	8.33	8.33	8.33	7.33	7.33	7.33
" Neck ..	"	5.50	5.70	5.40	6.00	6.00	6.00	7.75	7.75	7.75	7.33	7.33	7.33	9.00	9.00	9.00
Pork, Leg ..	"	9.50	9.90	9.60	9.64	9.64	9.57	8.25	8.25	8.50	8.33	8.33	8.33	9.00	9.00	9.00
" Loin ..	"	10.00	10.38	9.90	9.43	9.43	9.43	8.75	8.75	9.00	8.33	8.33	8.33	8.67	8.67	8.67
" Belly ..	"	9.20	9.80	9.20	9.00	8.86	8.86	8.50	8.50	8.75	8.33	8.33	8.33	9.00	9.00	9.00
" Chops ..	"	10.80	10.80	10.50	10.29	10.57	10.14	9.25	9.25	9.25	9.00	8.67	8.67	9.00	9.00	9.00
House Rents ..	4 and 5 rooms All houses	..	232.34	..	..	202.74	..	..	189.64	..	..	185.08	..	..	160.10	..
		..	274.23	..	..	252.70	..	..	210.20	..	..	227.90	..	..	160.11	..



## Section VIII.—Wholesale Price Index-Numbers.

MELBOURNE WHOLESALE PRICE INDEX-NUMBERS, 1861 to DECEMBER, 1931.  
COMPUTED TO YEAR 1911 AS BASE (=1,000).

Year.	I. Metals and Coal.	II. Jute, Leather, Wool, &c.	III. Agri- cultural Pro- duce,&c.	IV. Dairy Pro- duce.	V. Gro- ceries.	VI. Meat.	VII. Building Ma- terials.	VIII. Chem- icals.	All Groups.
1861 ..	1,438	1,381	1,583	1,008	1,963	..	1,070	2,030	1,538
1901 ..	1,061	774	928	1,029	1,048	1,345	841	917	974
1911 ..	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
1914 ..	1,099	1,032	1,207	1,137	1,021	1,507	1,081	1,253	1,149
1916 ..	1,695	1,423	1,208	1,485	1,322	2,515	1,491	1,760	1,504
1917 ..	2,129	2,008	1,157	1,423	1,343	2,403	1,884	2,171	1,662
1918 ..	2,416	2,360	1,444	1,454	1,422	2,385	2,686	3,225	1,934
1919 ..	2,125	2,363	1,985	1,651	1,516	2,348	2,851	2,898	2,055
1920 ..	2,298	2,624	2,439	2,209	1,918	3,279	3,226	2,825	2,480
1921 ..	2,173	1,362	1,767	2,000	1,976	2,158	2,733	2,303	1,903
1922 ..	1,942	1,681	1,628	1,648	1,869	1,787	2,005	1,965	1,758
1923 ..	1,826	2,148	1,778	1,837	1,746	2,579	2,025	1,933	1,944
1924 ..	1,835	2,418	1,647	1,655	1,721	2,223	1,815	1,806	1,885
1925 ..	1,852	1,967	1,797	1,636	1,723	2,212	1,711	1,790	1,844
1926 ..	1,938	1,582	2,001	1,784	1,731	1,931	1,665	1,816	1,832
1927 ..	1,962	1,650	1,826	1,823	1,724	2,111	1,624	1,866	1,817
1928 ..	1,912	1,781	1,726	1,751	1,707	2,015	1,744	1,923	1,792
1929 ..	1,912	1,556	1,792	1,853	1,690	2,246	1,754	1,942	1,803
1930 ..	1,866	1,127	1,484	1,627	1,666	2,025	1,875	1,982	1,596
January	1,889	1,728	1,786	1,878	1,682	1,903	1,741	1,942	1,793
February	1,913	1,745	1,701	1,868	1,710	1,894	1,741	1,934	1,778
March	1,913	1,714	1,603	1,822	1,709	2,399	1,746	1,934	1,792
April	1,913	1,679	1,646	1,851	1,687	2,398	1,754	1,942	1,798
May	1,911	1,574	1,649	1,916	1,697	2,348	1,766	1,942	1,784
June	1,917	1,555	1,683	1,920	1,691	2,439	1,763	1,942	1,799
July	1,917	1,505	1,875	1,875	1,686	2,183	1,751	1,942	1,813
August	1,917	1,520	1,900	1,842	1,683	2,245	1,751	1,942	1,826
September	1,917	1,508	1,931	1,844	1,693	2,473	1,758	1,942	1,858
October	1,915	1,373	1,971	1,852	1,678	2,365	1,748	1,942	1,832
November	1,914	1,392	1,977	1,794	1,680	2,099	1,737	1,958	1,804
December	1,914	1,369	1,792	1,784	1,678	2,195	1,800	1,958	1,760
January	1,916	1,353	1,676	1,725	1,674	2,192	1,797	1,942	1,719
February	1,917	1,234	1,624	1,745	1,681	2,062	1,804	1,958	1,674
March	1,917	1,183	1,537	1,770	1,674	2,115	1,801	1,958	1,647
April	1,917	1,207	1,594	1,798	1,675	2,004	1,863	1,958	1,662
May	1,917	1,255	1,598	1,788	1,669	2,111	1,915	1,958	1,693
June	1,937	1,172	1,600	1,784	1,669	2,096	1,909	1,968	1,657
July	1,937	1,122	1,569	1,702	1,677	2,217	1,887	1,968	1,644
August	1,937	1,086	1,508	1,605	1,659	2,318	1,914	1,973	1,620
September	1,824	984	1,384	1,503	1,648	2,105	1,895	1,973	1,532
October	1,812	997	1,330	1,424	1,650	1,785	1,908	2,033	1,479
November	1,836	964	1,231	1,346	1,666	1,717	1,911	2,033	1,437
December	1,832	970	1,162	1,337	1,648	1,564	1,901	2,059	1,399
January	1,890	974	1,162	1,424	1,811	1,689	1,925	2,059	1,454
February	1,868	1,098	1,105	1,492	1,841	1,455	1,992	2,161	1,448
March	1,868	1,170	1,086	1,522	1,814	1,471	1,996	2,161	1,456
April	1,885	1,173	1,081	1,454	1,789	1,471	1,996	2,177	1,447
May	1,825	1,147	1,091	1,438	1,785	1,494	2,038	2,177	1,440
June	1,823	1,050	1,093	1,433	1,780	1,527	2,038	2,179	1,425
July	1,823	1,049	1,095	1,362	1,782	1,571	2,112	2,179	1,428
August	1,810	914	1,097	1,336	1,769	1,583	2,091	2,179	1,399
September	1,810	866	1,115	1,322	1,779	1,550	2,051	2,180	1,391
October	1,770	942	1,132	1,388	1,791	1,469	2,028	2,180	1,402
November	1,770	1,040	1,199	1,334	1,795	1,431	2,008	2,180	1,428
December	1,770	1,056	1,197	1,275	1,792	1,432	2,026	2,180	1,425

(a) The index numbers from January, 1931, have been adjusted in view of the fact that the prices of two items were based on import values without full allowance being made for the movement in exchange, etc. Figures for the preceding year are subject to revision.

STATISTICAL SUMMARY—AUSTRALIA, 1871 to 1930.

Heading.		Years.						
		1871.	1881.	1891.	1901.	1911.	1921.	1930.
Population ..	Males	928,918	1,247,059	1,736,617	2,004,836	2,382,232	2,798,727	3,304,091
	Females	771,970	1,059,677	1,504,368	1,820,077	2,191,554	2,710,346	3,171,941
	Total	1,700,888	2,306,736	3,240,985	3,824,913	4,573,786	5,509,073	6,476,032
Births ..	No.	63,625	80,004	110,187	102,945	122,193	136,198	128,399
	Rate	38.00	35.26	34.47	27.16	27.21	24.95	19.93
Deaths ..	No.	22,175	33,327	47,430	46,330	47,869	54,076	55,331
	Rate	13.24	14.69	14.84	12.22	10.68	9.91	8.59
Marriages ..	No.	11,623	17,244	23,862	27,753	39,482	46,869	43,255
	Rate	6.94	7.60	7.47	7.32	8.79	8.59	6.71
Agriculture—								
Wheat ..	Area, acs.	1,279,778	3,002,064	3,335,528	5,115,965	7,427,834	9,719,042	14,976,564
	Yld., bshl.	11,917,741	21,443,862	25,675,265	38,561,619	71,636,347	129,088,806	126,884,622
	Av., "	9.31	7.16	7.70	7.54	9.64	13.28	8.47
Oats ..	Area, acs.	225,492	194,816	246,129	461,430	616,794	733,406	1,515,871
	Yld., bshl.	4,251,630	4,795,897	5,726,256	9,789,854	9,561,833	12,147,433	14,424,186
	Av., "	18.85	24.62	23.27	21.22	15.50	16.56	9.52
Barley ..	Area, acs.	48,164	75,864	68,068	74,511	116,466	298,910	451,339
	Yld., bshl.	728,158	1,353,380	1,178,560	1,519,819	2,056,836	6,085,685	7,588,852
	Av., "	15.08	17.84	17.31	20.40	17.66	20.36	16.81
Maize ..	Area, acs.	142,078	165,777	284,423	284,849	340,065	305,186	297,502
	Yld., bshl.	4,576,635	5,726,266	9,261,922	7,034,788	8,939,885	7,840,438	7,946,320
	Av., "	32.21	34.54	32.56	23.86	26.29	25.69	26.71
Hay ..	Area, acs.	303,274	768,388	942,166	1,688,402	2,518,351	2,994,519	2,658,661
	Yld., tons	375,871	767,194	1,067,255	2,024,608	2,867,973	3,902,189	2,725,244
	Av., "	1.24	1.00	1.13	1.20	1.14	1.30	1.02
Potatoes(a) ..	Area, acs.	67,911	76,265	112,884	109,685	130,463	149,144	123,980
	Yld., tons	212,896	243,216	380,477	322,524	301,489	388,091	342,541
	Av., "	3.13	3.19	3.37	2.94	2.51	2.60	2.76
Sugar Cane(d) ..	Area, acs.	11,576	19,708	45,444	86,950	101,010	128,350	222,847
	Yld., tons	176,632	349,627	737,573	1,367,802	1,682,250	2,486,890	3,755,375
	Av., "	15.25	17.74	16.23	15.73	16.65	19.99	16.85
Vineyards ..	Area, acs.	16,253	14,570	48,882	63,677	60,602	92,414	115,225
	Wine, gal.	2,104,000	1,488,000	3,438,000	5,816,087	4,975,147	8,542,573	18,069,112
Total value all agricultural production ..		£ 8,941,000	15,519,000	16,988,000	23,835,000	38,774,000	81,890,000	77,109,000
Pastoral, dairying, &c.—								
Live Stock ..	Sheep No.	40,072,955	65,092,719	106,421,068	72,040,211	96,886,234	86,119,068	106,952,673
	Cattle ..	4,277,288	8,010,991	11,112,112	8,491,428	11,825,954	14,441,309	(e) 11,202,134
	Horses ..	701,530	1,088,029	1,584,737	1,620,420	2,278,225	2,438,182	(e) 1,845,614
	Pigs ..	586,017	703,188	845,888	981,309	1,110,721	960,385	(e) 1,018,324
Wool prod. lb. (greasy)		179,000,000	322,759,000	631,587,000	543,131,681	721,298,288	721,678,346	937,598,816
Butter production lbs.		c	c	42,314,585	103,747,295	212,073,745	267,071,340	299,080,545
Cheese production ..		c	c	10,130,945	11,845,153	15,889,712	32,653,003	30,173,020
Bacon and ham ..		c	c	16,771,886	34,020,629	53,335,092	58,626,469	70,101,981
Total estimated value of pastoral and dairying production ..		£ 20,736,000	29,538,000	39,256,000	36,890,000	72,883,000	119,399,000	133,961,000
Mineral production—								
Gold ..	£	7,916,627	5,194,390	5,281,361	14,017,538	10,551,624	4,018,685	1,981,971
	£	36,046	45,622	3,736,352	2,248,598	3,022,177	1,539,092	2,243,046
Silver and lead ..	£	830,242	714,003	367,373	2,215,431	2,564,273	803,957	810,657
	£	24,020	1,145,889	560,502	443,234	1,209,973	418,418	218,053
Tin ..	£	369	200	2,979	4,067	1,415,169	283,455	1,005,409
	£	330,510	637,865	1,912,353	2,602,733	3,927,360	10,983,757	7,453,576
Total value of all mineral production ..		£ 9,190,330	7,820,290	12,074,106	21,816,772	23,302,878	19,977,384	15,383,595
Forestry production—								
Quantity of local timber sawn or hewn—								
1,000 sup. ft.		c	c	c	452,131	604,794	590,495	484,637
Manufactories—								
No. of factories ..	No.					14,455	18,023	22,700
	No.					311,710	378,540	410,104
	No.					27,628,377	68,050,861	84,717,083
	£					51,259,094	121,674,119	156,364,432
	£					133,022,090	320,331,765	390,912,373

(a) Partly estimated 1871 and 1881. effective comparison is impossible.

(b) Owing to variation in classification and lack of information (c) Information not available. (d) Area of productive cane. (e) 1929 Figures.

## STATISTICAL SUMMARY, AUSTRALIA, 1871 TO 1930—continued.

Heading.	Years.						
	1871.	1881.	1891.	1901.	1911.	1921.	1930.
Shipping—							
Oversea vessels } No.	2,748	3,284	3,778	4,028	4,174	3,674	3,061
ent. & cleared } ton.	1,312,642	2,549,364	4,726,307	6,541,991	9,984,801	9,503,018	10,944,127
Commerce (c)—							
Imports, oversea £	17,017,000	29,067,000	37,711,000	42,434,000	66,967,488	103,066,436	131,081,320
" per head £	10/3/3	12/16/2	11/16/0	11/3/11	14/18/2	18/14/1	20/8/8
Exports, oversea £	21,725,000	27,523,000	36,043,000	49,696,000	79,482,258	127,846,535	125,127,148
" per head £	12/19/6	12/2/8	11/5/6	13/2/2	17/13/10	23/4/1	19/10/2
Total oversea trade £	38,742,000	56,595,000	73,754,000	92,130,000	146,449,746	230,912,971	256,208,468
" per head £	23/2/9	24/18/10	23/1/6	24/6/1	32/12/0	41/18/2	39/18/10
Customs and excise duties ..	(e)	4,809,326	7,440,869	8,656,530	13,515,005	27,565,199	41,683,637
Principal Oversea Exports (a)—	(e)	2/2/5	2/6/7	2/5/8	2/19/2	5/0/1	6/9/11
Wool } lb. (greasy) £	176,635,800	328,369,200	619,259,800	518,018,100	720,364,900	927,833,700	789,229,800
" } cental £	9,459,629	13,173,026	19,940,029	15,237,454	26,071,193	47,977,044	36,596,600
Wheat } £	479,954	3,218,792	5,876,875	12,156,035	33,088,704	59,968,334	24,234,424
" } £	193,732	1,189,762	1,988,864	2,774,643	9,641,608	28,644,155	10,036,535
Flour } tons £	12,988	49,549	33,363	96,814	175,891	359,734	465,733
" } £	170,415	519,635	328,423	589,604	1,391,529	5,519,881	4,948,927
Butter } lb. £	1,812,700	1,298,800	4,239,500	34,607,400	101,722,100	127,347,400	107,663,114
" } £	45,813	39,383	206,868	1,451,168	4,637,362	7,968,078	7,001,540
Skins and hides £	100,123	316,878	873,695	1,250,938	3,227,236	3,136,810	6,584,614
Tallow .. £	914,278	644,149	571,069	677,745	1,935,836	1,441,795	991,592
Meats .. £	566,780	362,965	460,894	2,611,244	4,303,159	5,542,102	6,259,924
Timber (undressed) £	42,586	118,117	38,448	731,301	1,023,960	1,158,166	790,689
Gold .. £	7,184,833	6,445,365	5,703,532	14,315,741	12,045,766	3,483,239	26,868,539
Silver and lead £	37,891	57,954	1,932,278	2,250,253	3,212,584	2,697,130	4,470,523
Copper .. £	598,538	676,515	417,687	1,619,145	2,345,961	705,358	6,670,608
Coal .. £	134,355	361,081	645,972	986,957	900,622	1,099,899	346,916
Govt. Railways—							
Lgh. of line open, mls.	970	3,832	9,541	12,579	16,078	23,296	26,605
Capital cost £	19,269,786	42,741,350	99,764,090	123,223,779	152,194,603	237,479,693	329,500,024
Gross revenue £	1,102,650	3,910,122	8,654,085	11,038,468	17,847,837	35,936,900	45,778,437
Working expenses £	608,332	2,141,735	5,630,182	7,133,617	10,945,727	29,960,954	37,996,145
Per cent. of working expenses on earnings %	55.17	54.77	65.06	64.63	61.33	83.39	83.00
Postal—							
Letters and postcards dealt with No.	24,382,000	67,640,000	157,297,000	220,853,000	453,063,000	569,343,456	796,145,400
" per head £	14.54	29.61	49.07	53.26	100.90	104.36	130.29
Newspapers dealt with No.	3,336,000	38,063,000	85,230,000	102,727,000	141,638,000	130,882,425	188,715,200
" per head £	7.95	16.66	26.61	27.10	31.54	24.18	30.88
Cheque-paying Banks—							
Note circulation £	2,456,487	3,978,711	4,417,269	3,399,462	3,718,458	213,868	199,337
Coin & bullion held £	6,168,869	9,108,243	16,712,923	19,780,528	33,470,770	21,626,832	6,131,312
Advances .. £	26,039,573	57,732,824	129,741,583	86,352,832	108,578,774	193,435,760	299,394,981
Deposits .. £	21,856,959	53,849,455	98,345,338	91,487,148	143,446,910	273,866,737	310,564,326
Savings Banks—							
Number of Accounts open ..	100,713	250,070	614,741	964,553	1,600,112	3,327,456	5,105,045
Total deposits £	3,193,285	7,854,480	15,536,592	30,882,645	59,393,682	154,396,051	217,510,517
Aver. per account £	31/14/2	31/8/2	25/5/6	32/0/4	37/2/4	46/8/0	42/12/2
" head of ..	1/18/9	3/10/5	4/18/7	8/3/0	13/8/5	28/0/4	33/15/7
State Schools—							
Number of Schools	2,502	4,494	6,231	7,012	8,060	9,445	10,263
Teachers .. No.	4,641	9,028	12,564	14,500	16,971	26,120	32,391
Enrolment ..	236,710	432,320	561,153	638,478	638,850	819,042	929,299
Aver. attendance ..	137,767	255,143	350,773	450,246	463,799	666,498	777,626

(a) Australian produce, except gold, which includes re-exports. (b) Decrease due to prohibition of re-issue  
(c) Figures for Commerce for year 1921 relate to year ended 30th June following. (d) 1927 figures  
(e) Not available. (f) Includes Commonwealth Savings Bank Deposits. (g) 1929 figures. (h) Excludes  
Commonwealth Savings Bank Deposits.